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**T**he warm weather and longer days of Seattle summers allow you to take full advantage of the region's outdoor recreation, festivals, and events. As the leaves change, fall brings crisp air and an inviting vibe that's perfect for brisk strolls and relaxing in cozy cafes.

Summer kicks off with the 75th annual Seafair Festival, a beloved Pacific Northwest tradition! From late June through early August, partake in myriad celebrations: Watch dazzling fireworks ignite over Lake Union during Seafair Summer Fourth, bring the family to the diverse Seafair Torchlight Parade, and witness the buzzing energy of hydroplanes zipping across Lake Washington and the US Navy Blue Angels soaring across the skies.

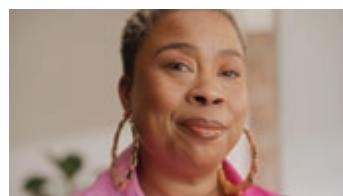
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the city are ideal for viewing awe-inspiring peaks, alpine lakes, and wildflower meadows.

Food is one of the best ways to experience Seattle! Seasonal ingredients appear on restaurant menus and in the colorful stalls of farmers markets and artisan food shops. At Pike Place Market, engaging food tours of this historic public market stop at popular vendors. As the weather cools, you can still dine alfresco at the city's many heated patios and rooftop bars. And be sure to lean into the area's soul-warming comfort food and vibrant coffee culture.

Explore Seattle's abundance of arts and culture programs. Capitol Hill Block Party takes over the streets of a famously lively neighborhood with a packed lineup of musical talent, and Bumbershoot showcases the local creative community's diversity through a dynamic two-day art and music festival. October dazzles visitors with Refract: The Seattle Glass Experience, featuring 70+ glass art events throughout the area. Cloudbreak: Seattle's Citywide Live Music Fest takes place in November, offering guests staying in participating downtown hotels the unique chance to see shows for free. Northwest Trolls: Way of the Bird King is an ongoing surprise and delight for all who discover these larger-than-life visitors in the region's parks.

No matter when you visit, adventure awaits in the Emerald City. Read on to find your inspiration, then book your trip at [visitseattle.org/book](http://visitseattle.org/book). We look forward to seeing you in the coming months!



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Feel the energy of Seattle's Pike Place Market as described by Christine Day in her young adult novel *I Can Make This Promise*, as read by chef and restaurateur Kristi Brown. Watch more at [visitseattle.org/bookmarked](http://visitseattle.org/bookmarked).



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# Liftoff

## Route Canal

At the narrow, easternmost span of the Lake Washington Ship Canal, the Montlake Cut lies just south of the stately University of Washington campus. You can see everything from sailboats and kayaks to members of the UW rowing team plying this scenic waterway.

# ON THE WATERFRONT

Brand-new attractions, scenic pathways and parks, and lush landscaping are completely transforming the city's vibrant downtown shoreline.

**A**s you visit Seattle's dynamic downtown waterfront, watch for some exciting improvements. In fact, if it's been a few years since your last visit, you may not recognize this vibrant, working neighborhood that's been a key driver of the city for more than 150 years. In 2019, the 60-year-old and 60-foot-tall Alaskan Way Viaduct double-decker freeway was removed, with traffic rerouted through a new tunnel beneath downtown. "The viaduct formed a massive barrier between downtown and our beautiful waterfront," says Angela Brady, Director of the Office of the Waterfront & Civic Projects. "Removing it provided downtown with a once-in-a-generation opportunity to reconnect with its natural environment thanks to a new 20-acre Waterfront Park."

The City of Seattle has completely redeveloped the shoreline along Elliott Bay, undertaking one of the 21st century's most ambitious and exciting US public works endeavors. Although the project won't be fully completed until early 2025, a number of prominent features have already opened to the public.



Alaskan Way, before



Alaskan Way, after

## HERE'S WHAT TO WATCH FOR:

### ALASKAN WAY

The 17-block stretch of **Alaskan Way**, linking Belltown with Pioneer Square, has been rebuilt with two lanes of car traffic in either direction and—opening later this year—a two-way protected bike path and park promenade. Lush native landscaping and shade trees filter and reduce stormwater runoff, thereby helping nearshore habitats.



Elliott Bay Seawall translucent sidewalk

### ELLIOTT BAY SEAWALL

The **Elliott Bay Seawall** was built in 2017 with habitat enhancements—such as a sidewalk with translucent panels to allow sunlight to reach the water below—that help restore and protect the waterfront's natural ecosystem, including its critical salmon migration corridor.



Overlook Walk rendering

### OVERLOOK WALK

When it opens in late 2024, **Overlook Walk**, both a pedestrian bridge and a park, will span Alaskan Way and connect two of the city's icons: **Pike Place Market** (★85 Pike St; [pikeplacemarket.org](http://pikeplacemarket.org)) and **Seattle Aquarium** (★1483 Alaskan Way Pier 59; [seattleaquarium.org](http://seattleaquarium.org)). "Since 2020, Friends of Waterfront Park has been activating Pier 62," says Jason Merges with Friends of Waterfront Park. "We're excited about how Overlook Walk will create more opportunities to connect, play, and relax." He notes the structure's play elements, cafe, and native plantings selected by Indigenous landscape architect Valerie Segrest.

The project also includes redesigned streets and bridges joining the waterfront with Belltown, downtown, and Pioneer Square; a rebuilt **Marion Street Pedestrian Bridge** connecting the newly renovated ferry terminal at Colman Dock to downtown's First Avenue; and newly rebuilt and revamped piers. **Waterfront Park** will offer a new playground, restroom, and engaging public art.



Waterfront Block Party on Pier 62



Pier 58 jellyfish playground rendering

#### SOUTH END PROJECTS

New features at the south end of the development include **Washington Street Boat Landing Pergola**, which will contain a branch of popular ice cream shop **Molly Moon's** ([mollymoon.com](http://mollymoon.com)), and **Railroad Way**, a broad pedestrian path connecting Waterfront Park with **Lumen Field** (★800 Occidental Ave S; [lumenfield.com](http://lumenfield.com)) and **T-Mobile Park** (★1250 First Ave S; [seattle.mariners.mlb.com](http://seattle.mariners.mlb.com)). And be sure to visit **Pioneer Square Habitat Beach**, a new 200-foot-long green space that Brady describes as "an important marine habitat improvement that not only supports salmon migration but also provides people with a direct connection to the water and a glimpse into what a natural Pacific Northwest coastline looks like."



Pioneer Square Habitat Beach

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#### LEARN MORE

For project updates and details, visit the **City of Seattle's** Waterfront Seattle website at [waterfront.seattle.org](http://waterfront.seattle.org).

**Friends of Waterfront Park** is the nonprofit organization responsible for fundraising, programming, stewarding, and activating Waterfront Park. Learn more at [waterfrontparkseattle.org](http://waterfrontparkseattle.org).



Rendering of Seattle Aquarium's new Ocean Pavilion

# Marine Marvel

Among the most anticipated projects in the city's waterfront redevelopment is the beloved **Seattle Aquarium**'s (★1483 Alaskan Way Pier 59; [seattleaquarium.org](http://seattleaquarium.org)) spectacular Ocean Pavilion. This dramatic 50,000-square-foot building, the roof of which is part of the new Overlook Walk, is slated to open by late summer. It adjoins the newly designed Waterfront Park and its landscaped promenade, right across from the existing aquarium buildings on Pier 59 and 60.

The sleek, new expansion will contain a 360,000-gallon coral reef ecosystem that enables visitors an up-close view of spotted eagle rays, more than 30 coral species, and hundreds of colorful schooling fish, along with perhaps its most famous inhabitants, bowmouth guitarfish and Indo-Pacific leopard sharks. More than 3,500 plants and animals will represent the incredible biodiversity of the Coral Triangle, which stretches among the Philippines, Indonesia, the Solomon Islands, and the northern tip of Australia.

"We're excited to tell the Coral Triangle story," says Aquarium spokesperson Emily Malone, who adds that Seattle Aquarium helped to launch ReShark, a unique global initiative charged with helping to recover the dwindling population of Indo-Pacific leopard sharks. "The species in the Ocean Pavilion will help tell the 'One World Ocean' story; what happens under the sea here at home has impacts around the world."

Access to the Ocean Pavilion is included with Seattle Aquarium tickets, but a massive oculus window above the building's cantilevered entrance will provide pedestrians strolling beneath it a free view of the habitat. Here you'll also be able to see public art honoring Northwest Coast Salish people, including an installation of glass salmon by Lummi artist Dan Friday.



Seattle Pride Parade

## Show Your Pride

The **Seattle Pride Parade** ([seattle-pride.org](http://seattle-pride.org)) marks its 50th anniversary on June 30. That weekend, **PrideFest** ([seattlepridefest.org](http://seattlepridefest.org)) hosts two big parties with food, music, vendors, and family events. The first is in Capitol Hill on June 29, and the second takes place at Seattle Center after the Pride Parade on June 30.



### KEY DATES IN LOCAL LGBTQIA+ HISTORY

**1934** The city's earliest queer bars open in and around Pioneer Square.

**1974** The first Seattle Gay Pride Week takes place in Occidental Square Park.

**1983** Seattle becomes the nation's second city to fund AIDS research.

**2006** Washington passes the state's first LGBTQIA+ civil rights bill.

**2012** The state legalizes same-sex marriage by popular vote.

Here are five fabulous ways to experience Seattle's dynamic LGBTQIA+ community any time of year.

**1** Dance the evening away at Capitol Hill's energetic clubs, including **Neighbours** (1509 Broadway; [instagram.com/neighboursnightclub](https://instagram.com/neighboursnightclub)), **CC's Seattle** (1701 E Olive Way; [ccsseattle.com](https://ccsseattle.com)), and **Queer/Bar** (1518 11th Ave; [thequeerbar.com](https://thequeerbar.com)).

**2** Buy a ticket to an LGBTQIA+ film screening. Long-running **Three Dollar Bill Cinema** ([threeddollarbillcinema.org](https://threeddollarbillcinema.org)) produces the up-and-coming **Translations Seattle Trans Film Festival** in early June and the esteemed **Seattle Queer Film Festival** in mid-October, along with a number of other queer film events.

**3** Browse for cool fashion and gifts at queer-owned boutiques like **Doll Parts Collective** (4832 California Ave SW; [wearedollparts.com](https://wearedollparts.com)) and **Indian Summer** (534 Summit Ave E; [instagram.com/indiansummervintage](https://instagram.com/indiansummervintage)). **Big Little News** (1102 E Pike St; [biglittlenews.com](https://biglittlenews.com)) carries

magazines, sundries, and snacks, while **Bootyland Kids** (1429 12th Ave; [bootylandkids.com](https://bootylandkids.com)) specializes in eco-friendly apparel and gear for children. You'll find enticing art and crafts at **Saltstone Ceramics** (2206 N 45th St; [saltstoneceramics.com](https://saltstoneceramics.com)), which also offers pottery classes, and at **Aide-Memoire Jewelry** (7003 Third Ave NW; [a-m-shop.com](https://a-m-shop.com)).

**4** Have a bite to eat at an LGBTQIA+-owned restaurant or cafe. **Frelard Tamales** ([frelardtamales.com](https://frelardtamales.com)) serves authentic Mexican dishes; note that it will move from Green Lake (6412 Latona Ave NE) to a bigger new space in Fremont (106 N 36th St) in summer 2024. Dine on superb farm-to-table cuisine at **Terra Plata** (1501 Melrose Ave; [terra-plata.com](https://terra-plata.com)), flavorful Asian plates at **Biang Biang Noodles** (★601 E Pike St; [biangbiangnoodles.com](https://biangbiangnoodles.com)), and delicious Hawaiian fare at **Marination** (★2000 Sixth Ave; [marinationmobile.com](https://marinationmobile.com)).

**com**), which has several other Seattle locations around town. Save room to savor a sweet treat at the **Flora Bakehouse** (1511 S Lucille St; [florarestaurantgroup.com](https://florarestaurantgroup.com)), **Shikorina Bakeshop & Cafe** (907 E Pike St; [instagram.com/shikorinapastries](https://shikorinapastries.com)), and **Tres Lechería** (2315 N 45th St; [treslecheria.com](https://treslecheria.com)).

**5** Make new friends at one of the many LGBTQIA+-operated lounges outside of Capitol Hill. **Lush Bar** (2231 Second Ave; [lushbarbelltown.com](https://lushbarbelltown.com)) in Belltown is known for creative cocktails, as is **Little Tin Goods & Apothecary Cabinet** (5335 Ballard Ave NW; [littletinballard.com](https://littletinballard.com)) in Ballard and **Velvet Elk** (3605 S McClellan St; [velvet-elk.com](https://velvet-elk.com)) in Mount Baker. **The Lumber Yard** (9630 16th Ave SW; [thelumberyardbar.com](https://thelumberyardbar.com)) in White Center is great for karaoke and Sunday drag brunches, while Ballard's **Skål Beer Hall** (★5429 Ballard Ave NW; [skalballard.com](https://skalballard.com)) is a must for queer beer aficionados.

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## NATIVE SEATTLE

Named for Chief Si'ahl, once the chief of the Suquamish and Duwamish people, the city of Seattle has deep Indigenous roots. You can explore Native culture, both historic and contemporary, at numerous places.

### MARVELOUS MUSEUMS

On the University of Washington's campus, **Burke Museum** (★4303 Memorial Way NE; [burkemuseum.org](http://burkemuseum.org)) greets visitors with a series of larger-than-life bronze paddles, created by artists Tony A. (naschio) Johnson and Adam McIsaac to show a variety of Chinook styles. Inside, find a collection of Indigenous pieces in the Northwest Native Art Gallery, including baskets, house posts, a 35-foot-long canoe, and ancient cedar-bark hats. The museum's cafe, **Off the Rez** ([offthereztruck.com](http://offthereztruck.com)), serves Indian tacos on handmade fry bread. The **Seattle Art Museum** (★1300 First Ave, [seattleartmuseum.org](http://seattleartmuseum.org)) is another great stop to view displays of Native art in a variety of mediums, from paintings to masks to sculptures.

### WELCOMING COMMUNITIES

Explore the city's cultural centers, including West Seattle's **Duwamish Longhouse and Cultural Center** (★4705 W Marginal Way SW; [duwamishtribe.org](http://duwamishtribe.org)), crafted in the traditional cedar post-and-beam style, and Magnolia's **Daybreak Star Indian Cultural Center** (5011 Bernie Whitebear Way; [unitedindians.org](http://unitedindians.org)), which will host the **35th Annual Seafair Indian Days Powwow** (July 19–21), featuring drummers, dancers in traditional regalia, and food. A short drive from the city, visit the **Suquamish Museum** (6861 NE South St, Suquamish; [suquamish.nsn.us](http://suquamish.nsn.us)) and Chief Seattle's grave on the Kitsap Peninsula, or head north to Snohomish County to learn about local Native languages and explore a natural history preserve at the **Hibulb Cultural Center** (★6410 23rd Avenue NE, Tulalip; [hibulbculturalcenter.org](http://hibulbculturalcenter.org)).

### HANDCRAFTED GIFTS

Support the local Native community and take home a one-of-a-kind keepsake from **Steinbrueck Native Gallery** (2030 Western Ave; [steinbruecknativegallery.com](http://steinbruecknativegallery.com)), **Eighth Generation** (★1406 First Ave; [eighthgeneration.com](http://eighthgeneration.com)), and **Stonington Gallery** (125 S Jackson St; [stoningtongallery.com](http://stoningtongallery.com)). Near Stonington, fuel up at **?ál?al Café by Chief Seattle Club** (122 Second Ave S; [alalcafe.org](http://alalcafe.org)), an Indigenous cafe that showcases precolonial ingredients like bison and blue corn. The **Burke Museum Store** (★4303 Memorial Way NE; [burkemuseum.org](http://burkemuseum.org)) stocks cool paper goods produced by Native-owned companies like Urban Native Era and Trickster Company, including colorful stickers by local artists Nick Alan and Yardia. Daybreak Star's **Sacred Circle Gallery** (5011 Bernie Whitebear Way; [sacredcircle-giftsandart.com](http://sacredcircle-giftsandart.com)) hosts rotating art exhibits and carries beautiful gifts. (There's an outpost of the gallery at SEA Airport, near the A gates.)



## NORTHWEST PASSAGES

Coming soon to Lake Union, the **Canoe Carving House** (860 Terry Ave N; [unitedindians.org](http://unitedindians.org)) will be the first phase of the Northwest Native Canoe Center. When it opens in summer 2025, visitors can learn about Northwest Native American skills and beliefs, and Native carvers will have a safe place to work on, store, and launch canoes.



Monika C.  
Mathews

## #IKnowSeattle

Seattle entrepreneur Monika C. Mathews is the owner of QueenCare, a natural body care company in the Central District, and the CEO of nonprofit Life Enrichment Group, which provides academic as well as social and emotional support to youth of color across King County.

### WHERE'S A GOOD SPOT FOR ME-TIME?

I like to read, and **Estelita's Library** (241 Martin Luther King Jr Way S; [estelitaslibrary.org](http://estelitaslibrary.org)) in South Seattle is a great place to find a small nook where you can be by yourself. It's a community library and bookstore focused on social justice—there are lots of historical reference books, and I like the vibe of it. For art galleries, **Arte Noir** (★2301 E Union Street, Suite H; [artenoir.org](http://artenoir.org)) has a serene environment, and I really love the artists they curate. The **WOW Gallery** (★600 Pine St; [thewonderofwomen.org](http://thewonderofwomen.org)) in Pacific Place has themed healing rooms that provide space to connect with yourself. They serve as a gentle reminder of how beautiful it is when we love ourselves enough to look within. And, of course, I'm proud of **The Spa House by QueenCare** (★3702 S Hudson St #103; [queencareproducts.com](http://queencareproducts.com)) in Columbia City, which features facials, massages, and foot and hand treatments for pampering.

### WHERE CAN I GO TO CONNECT WITH NATURE?

I love visiting **Seward Park** (5900 Lake Washington Blvd S) on Lake Washington. There's a loop trail there with beautiful scenery; you can get your heart pumping by walking or biking the loop. It's a really good place to reset.

### HOW CAN I TREAT MYSELF?

I love to fill my home with plants, so **boosh nursery** (2311 S Jackson St; [instagram.com/boosh.nursery](http://instagram.com/boosh.nursery)) is a favorite. For comfort food, I love **Communion** (2350 E Union St; [communionseattle.com](http://communionseattle.com)), and I'm also a big fan of the sports bar atmosphere at **Rookies** ([rookiesseattle.com](http://rookiesseattle.com)). They know to bring the spicy pecan salad out when they see me!

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**S**eattle has consistently been named among the country's top cities for biking by *Travel + Leisure*, the League of American Bicyclists, and others thanks in part to its robust and easy-to-use e-bike share program. You can pick up an e-bike throughout the city at stations operated by three companies: **Veo** ([veoride.com](http://veoride.com)), **Lime** ([li.me](http://li.me)), and **Bird** ([bird.co](http://bird.co)). It costs \$1 to unlock an e-bike, and then roughly 45 cents per minute thereafter. Download the apps from any of these services to get started and find your nearest bike.

The city is connected through miles of dedicated bike lanes, neighborhood greenways, and multiuse trails, with more planned. One exciting recent development is the **Pike Pine Streetscape and Bicycle Improvements project** ([waterfrontseattle.org/pike-pine](http://waterfrontseattle.org/pike-pine)), which in 2025 will connect the newly redeveloped waterfront with downtown's Pike-Pine corridor. This integral thoroughfare is receiving new protected bike lanes and safety features.

For more tips on two-wheeling around town, check out the informative **Seattle Bike Blog** ([seattlebikeblog.com](http://seattlebikeblog.com)) and the **Seattle Bike Web Map** ([seattle.gov/transportation](http://seattle.gov/transportation)). Keep in mind that the city also abounds with terrific bike-rental shops, among them **Back Alley Bike Repair** (314 First Ave S; [backalleybikerepair.com](http://backalleybikerepair.com)), **Evo Seattle** (3500 Stone Way N; [evo.com](http://evo.com)), and **Recycled Cycles** (1007 NE Boat St; [recycledcycles.com](http://recycledcycles.com)).

### ■ THREE COLORFUL SEATTLE BIKE TRIPS ■



#### WHERE

The beautiful campus of **University of Washington** (★15th Ave NE and W Stevens Way NE; [washington.edu](http://washington.edu))

#### DISTANCE FROM DOWNTOWN

4½ miles (30 minutes)

#### ROUTE

via Lower Capitol Hill, Portage Bay, and the University Bridge



#### WHERE

Ballard's hip brewpubs, including **Reuben's Brews** (5010 14th Ave NW; [reubensbrews.com](http://reubensbrews.com)) and **Old Stove Brewing** (1550 NW 49th St; [oldstove.com](http://oldstove.com))

#### DISTANCE FROM DOWNTOWN

5 miles (35 minutes)

#### ROUTE

via the west shore of Lake Union, Fremont Bridge, and Burke-Gilman Trail



#### WHERE

Georgetown's art galleries, including **Fogue Studios** (5519 Airport Way S; [foguestudios.com](http://foguestudios.com)) and **Studio E** (609 S Brandon St; [studioegallery.net](http://studioegallery.net))

#### DISTANCE FROM DOWNTOWN

5½ miles (40 minutes)

#### ROUTE

via Chinatown-International District and Beacon Hill



Seattle Art Museum



Seattle Asian Art Museum



Olympic Sculpture Park

# One Museum. Three-Must See Locations

## So Much to See at SAM

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Martha Manning (left)  
and Shelley Brothers

# Shelley Brothers & Martha Manning

Whenever you visit the **Wildrose** (1021 E Pike St; [thewildrosebar.com](http://thewildrosebar.com)), be sure to say hello to the two friendly, hard-working proprietors, Martha, who works the door, and Shelley, who tends bar. In the early 2000s, the good friends bought this Capitol Hill icon—founded in 1984, it's the nation's longest-running lesbian bar. Here's their take on Seattle's vibrant LGBTQIA+ community:

## ON HOW THE WILDROSE HAS SUCCEEDED FOR SO LONG

**MARTHA** People care so deeply about this bar. It's always been hard to make it as a women's bar, and then during the pandemic, we thought we were done. But our customers just kept on supporting us.

**SHELLEY** Martha and I are very stubborn. We did a GoFundMe campaign, we started doing drinks and Taco Tuesday kits to go, and we sold merchandise and gift cards. And the community responded with so much love. Our staff, who show up and create this space, and our amazing customers—they're our friends and our family.

## ON THE BAR'S CLIENTELE

**MARTHA** We have a lot of regulars, but we also see a lot of new people coming in, and that's a good sign.

**SHELLEY** It's a more diverse crowd now than it was historically, and that's important to us. Everyone is welcome as long as they're

supportive of one another. It's important that this be a safe space for our community, but that community is diverse.

## ON CELEBRITY SIGHTINGS IN THE BAR

**SHELLEY** Mary Lambert comes in quite often, and Brandi Carlile used to come a lot and also perform. We've seen activist Grethe Cammermeyer, comedian Lea DeLaria, and lots of athletes, like Brittney Griner, Sue Bird, and Megan Rapinoe. BenDeLaCreme used to work here—we would watch Jinkx Monsoon performing on *Ru Paul's Drag Race* while we tended bar together!

## ON THE BEST TIMES TO VISIT THE WILDROSE

**SHELLEY** We draw a big crowd on Friday and Saturday nights, when we have DJs. And weekdays are becoming more and more of a draw—we do Taco Tuesdays, and trivia and game nights.

**MARTHA** Pride weekend is huge for us. This year we have some really exciting entertainment planned, including Gritty City Sirens Burlesque, Mixx America, Dark Chisme, emcee Adra Boo, and several amazing DJs.

## ON FAVORITE PLACES TO RECOMMEND IN SEATTLE

**SHELLEY** We love **Bang Bang Cafe** (★2460 Western Ave; [bangbangseattle.com](http://bangbangseattle.com)) in Belltown. The boys at **Madison Pub** (1315 E Madison St; [madisonpub.com](http://madisonpub.com)) are really sweet, and **Pony** (1221 E Madison St; [ponyseattle.com](http://ponyseattle.com)) is a great bar. **Smith Tower Observatory Bar** (★506 Second Ave; [smithtower.com](http://smithtower.com)) is one of my favorites—it's where my wife, Katy, and I got married.

**MARTHA** **Poquitos** (★1000 E Pike St; [vivapoquitos.com](http://vivapoquitos.com)) is an excellent neighborhood Mexican restaurant, and I always recommend going for a walk around beautiful **Volunteer Park** (1247 15th Ave E; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)).



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# WATER WORLD

Sailing with  
The Center for  
Wooden Boats on  
Lake Union

Did you know Seattle has just over 200 miles of shoreline? From wildlife-rich Puget Sound on the west side to calm and clear Lake Washington on the east side, water is a vital and joyful part of the city's identity. And let's not overlook the many bodies of water in Seattle's interior, including Lake Union and Green Lake. Dozens of parks, streets, and boat ramps provide easy access to the public, a fact that's especially important during the warmer months of the year. Here's a guide to making the most of the city's spectacular waterways.



# SPLASH!

**IT'S EASY FOR KIDS** to beat the summer heat at a variety of cool hot spots around the city. Start with one of the swimming beaches that's patrolled by lifeguards, like **Madison Park** (4201 E Madison St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) and **Magnuson Park** (6505 NE 65th St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), both along Lake Washington. If your little ones aren't quite ready for a full swim, take them to a wading pool—there are 20 throughout Seattle that operate when the temps are forecasted to be 70 or above. (Call the wading pool hotline at 206-684-7796 to verify the schedule.) You'll find them in Capitol Hill's **Volunteer Park** (1400 E Galer St), **Beacon Hill Playfield** (1902 13th Ave S), and **Green Lake Park** (N 73rd St & W Green Lake Dr N), also a good place to swim. For spraypark



fun, you'll be in good company at Seattle Center's popular **International Fountain** (305 Harrison St), which has a water show every half hour during the day. Other great options include **Lake**

**Union Park** (860 Terry Ave N; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), whose spraypark is a short stroll from Goose Beach; and **Yesler Terrace Park** (917 E Yesler Way), with its brightly colored play structures.

## GAS WORKS PARK

**B**uilt on a 19-acre gas plant from the early 1900s, **Gas Works Park** (2101 N Northlake Way; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) juts out into glorious Lake Union, a short walk from Fremont's lively bar and restaurant scene. The park's playful design incorporates parts of the plant, creating a cool steampunk vibe. Kids frolic in the play barn and fly kites on a big hill, and everyone admires the striking generator towers and storage tanks, which serve as unique industrial art installations. A 0.8-mile paved loop, accessible for wheelchairs and strollers, encircles the park. At sunset, come for astounding views of the downtown skyline.



CLOCKWISE ON SPREAD FROM LEFT: STEPHEN MATERA; LANETTE MARIE/SHUTTERSTOCK; STEPHEN MATERA; ANTHONY RICCI/SHUTTERSTOCK

## LAKE UNION PARK

**AT THIS EPIC** 12-acre swatch of greenery on the south shore of Lake Union, you'll find a wealth of captivating activities. Explore the compelling interactive exhibits at the 50,000-square-foot **Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI)** (★860 Terry Ave N; [mohai.org](http://mohai.org)), which celebrates Seattle's maritime heritage and thriving technological spirit. The museum is ADA-compliant and provides assisted-listening devices. Next door, **The Center for Wooden Boats** (★1010 Valley St; [cwb.org](http://cwb.org)) is filled with informative nautical displays. You can rent boats (or borrow them for free some weekends by advance reservation) to enjoy on the lake. Other features at this family-friendly park include a model boat pond, lush gardens, fountains and public art, a wharf with historic ships, and a footbridge that crosses the lagoon and provides easy access to peaceful Goose Beach.



# ROW YOUR BOAT

Ply the local waterways using your own power with vessels from kayaks and canoes to stand-up paddleboards and pedal boats.

## University of Washington Waterfront Activities Center

3710 Montlake Blvd NE; [recreation.uw.edu](http://recreation.uw.edu)  
Rent a canoe or kayak and paddle to the abundant Union Bay Natural Area, filled with frogs, turtles, and more than 200 species of birds.

## Aqua Verde Paddle Club

1307 NE Boat St; [aguaverdepaddleclub.com](http://aguaverdepaddleclub.com)  
This fun spot overlooking Portage Bay rents kayaks and SUPs and has a Mexican cantina with burritos and house-made aguas frescas. Tours and paddling lessons are also available.

## Alki Kayak Tours

★1660 Harbor Ave SW; [kayakalki.com](http://kayakalki.com)  
Take a class, rent a kayak or paddleboard, or join a guided tour from this West Seattle outfitter. Night owls should check out the monthly Full Moon Kayak Tour for a whole new perspective on the landscape.

## Green Lake Boathouse

7201 E Green Lake Dr N; [greenlakeboathouse.com](http://greenlakeboathouse.com)  
Pedal boats and water bikes highlight the rental offerings at this brand-new, fully accessible boathouse, which plans to launch Seattle's first public adaptive rowing program and expand the boathouse's paracanoeing program in the coming year.

## Ballard Kayak & Paddleboard

7901 Seaview Ave NW; [ballardkayak.com](http://ballardkayak.com)  
You can go it alone with a kayak or stand-up paddleboard rental, but it's fun to join a tour, like the one that takes you along an ancient water route from Shilshole Bay to Discovery Point.

## Sail Sand Point

7861 62nd Ave NE; [sailsandpoint.org](http://sailsandpoint.org)  
Get a taste of small-boat sailing with a two-hour intro class that teaches all the basic skills you need to get around on a Hobie Wave, an easy-to-sail catamaran. The center's adaptive sailing program makes it possible for boaters with mobility limitations to get out on the lake. Those with experience can rent sailboats, kayaks, and paddleboards.



## ANCHORS AWEIGH

These companies will hook you up with a boat to get out on the water.

### ARGOSY CRUISES

★Pier 55, 1101 Alaskan Way and Westlake Ave N at N Eighth Ave; [argosycruises.com](http://argosycruises.com)  
Get the lay of the land on the one-hour Harbor Cruise or venture a little farther on the two-hour Locks Cruise, which will take you through the "boat elevator" that separates the Puget Sound from Lake Union. The staff can provide wheelchairs and is trained to assist guests with mobility limitations.

### SEATTLE DONUT BOAT CO.

1001 Fairview Ave N; [seattledonutboat.com](http://seattledonutboat.com)  
You'll look pretty cute out on the water in one of these doughnut-shaped boats. Admire the Seattle skyline and watch the seaplanes touch down as you leisurely make your way across the waves.

### ELECTRIC BOAT COMPANY

2046 Westlake Ave N; [theelectricboatco.com](http://theelectricboatco.com)  
Be the captain of your own (tiny) ship with an electric boat that seats 6 to 12 passengers. Pack some food and drinks and get ready to cruise around Lake Union—no boating license is needed.

### SEATTLE WATER TOURS

860 Terry Ave N; [seattlewatertours.com](http://seattlewatertours.com)  
Take a sweet 45-minute ride around Lake Union on the Ice Cream Cruise. Learn more about the floating homes community, the birthplace of Boeing, and the busiest drawbridge in the world, all while eating a frozen treat.

Alki  
Kayak  
Tours

# WHALE TALES

**IT'S POSSIBLE TO SPOT WHALES** year-round near Seattle, including grays, humpbacks, minkes, and our beloved resident orcas (there are transient killer whales too), although June to September is prime season. Try your luck on a whale-watching tour with a local company, all of which are committed to maintaining a respectful distance from wildlife. **FRS Clipper** (★2701 Alaskan Way; [clippervacations.com](http://clippervacations.com)) offers half-day, wheelchair-accessible tours from the downtown waterfront at Pier 69; if you don't spot a whale, you can come back for free another day. Just north of Seattle in Edmonds, **Puget Sound Express** (★459 Admiral Way, Edmonds; [pugetsoundexpress.com](http://pugetsoundexpress.com)) has tiered outdoor viewing decks and guarantees a whale sighting or your next trip is free. Be sure to treat yourself to a slice of the signature blueberry buckle cake.

Go a little further afield with the whale-watching tour from **Kenmore Air** (★6321 NE 175th St, Kenmore; [kenmoreair.com/whale-watching](http://kenmoreair.com/whale-watching)). You'll leave on a seaplane from Lake Washington headed for the San Juan Islands, where you'll transfer to a

boat from **San Juan Safaris** (★[sanjuansafaris.com](http://sanjuansafaris.com)) for an unforgettable day trip—and hopefully lots of whale sightings. (The success rate is above 90 percent.) Back on shore, you might just get lucky with a glimpse from land—the telltale fins have been spotted from the likes of **Alki Beach** (2665 Alki Ave SW; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) and **Golden Gardens Park** (8498 Seaview Pl NW; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)).

FRS  
Clipper

# STAY COOL

**S**ome of the coolest spots in town for soaking up awesome Puget Sound views are in downtown hotels, and at many properties you don't need to book a room facing the water to enjoy these pleasing panoramas. Each of these hotels has at least one common space where any overnight guest—and in some cases even day visitors—can enjoy the vistas.

Perched atop a dramatic pier on Elliott Bay, the mid-century modern **Edgewater Hotel** (★2411 Alaskan Way; [edgewater-hotel.com](http://edgewater-hotel.com)) is one of the top places in town for unobstructed water vistas. Just book a table at the stylish Six Seven Restaurant, with its floor-to-ceiling windows and sensational contemporary Northwest cuisine. Located just across Alaskan Way from downtown's revamped shoreline, the **Seattle Marriott Waterfront** (★2100 Alaskan Way; [marriott.com](http://marriott.com)) offers lovely views from the terrace of its airy Hook & Plow restaurant. For a sky-high perspective on the waterfront, take the elevator to the 12th floor of **Thompson Seattle** (★110 Stewart St; [hyatt.com](http://hyatt.com)), where

The State  
Hotel

you can sip a Duck Duck cocktail (with Woodinville bourbon, amaro bitters, and a touch of demerara sugar) and eat spicy tuna tartare in the swanky rooftop bar, **The Nest** (★[thenestseattle.com](http://thenestseattle.com)). At **Four Seasons Hotel Seattle** (★99 Union St; [fourseasons.com](http://fourseasons.com)), both the stylish Goldfinch Tavern and the heated infinity-edge rooftop pool offer dazzling Puget Sound views. At other illustrious lodgings, including the **State Hotel** (★1501 Second Ave; [statehotel.com](http://statehotel.com)) and **Inn at the Market** (★86 Pine St; [innatthemarket.com](http://innatthemarket.com)), overnight guests can admire ferries crossing Elliott Bay and the Olympic Mountains in the distance from expansive roof decks.

## SEATTLE'S TALL SHIP

★2203 Alaskan Way; [seattlesailingship.com](http://seattlesailingship.com)  
From the downtown waterfront, board the *Bay Lady*, an 85-foot traditional gaff-rigged schooner that's ready to whisk you through Puget Sound using the power of the wind.

## HOT TUB BOATS

2520 Westlake Ave N; [hottubboats.com](http://hottubboats.com)  
Bask in the warmth of a hot tub while floating on Lake Union in one of these cozy hot tub boats. When you're ready to cool off, jump in the lake and take a swim.

# BALLARD LOCKS

No trip to hip Ballard is complete without a visit to the **Hiram M. Chittenden Ballard Locks** (3015 NW 54th St; [ballardlocks.org](http://ballardlocks.org)). Make the most of your time at this welcoming, wheelchair-accessible complex with these fun activities.

► **The Ballard Locks Visitor Center** is a great place to start your visit. You'll find engaging exhibits, a theater showing free videos, and a fun gift shop. And from May through October, free tours of the locks leave from the visitor center daily at 2 p.m.

► Watch everything from tiny sailboats to 80-foot-wide freighters pass through the locks' massive "boat elevator," which provides a maritime connection, by way of several bodies of water, between freshwater Lake Washington and briny Puget Sound.



► Windows allow visitors to view salmon making their way up the facility's **fish ladder**. The journey from saltwater to freshwater requires these salmon to climb the ladder's 21 steps. Although you may see salmon any time of year, peak viewing is during the July–September spawning season.

► Adjacent to the locks, the seven-acre **Carl S. English Jr. Botanical Garden** is laced with pathways, allowing visitors to make a relaxing ramble among more than 1,500 varieties of flora, including rhododendrons, fan palms, and a gorgeous collection of roses.



Washington State Ferry

## GOING PLACES

**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION** doesn't get any prettier than the **Washington State Ferries** ([wsdot.wa.gov/travel/washington-state-ferries](http://wsdot.wa.gov/travel/washington-state-ferries)). Each ride does double-duty as a sightseeing cruise and a way to get to one of the area's waterfront destinations. From downtown's **Colman Dock** (801 Alaskan Way), you have two options. The first is a 35-minute ride to Bainbridge Island, with views of the Olympic Mountains and the Seattle skyline. From the Bainbridge Island Ferry Terminal, it's an easy walk to Winslow Way, the main drag lined with cute shops and eateries. Your second option is an hour-long ride to the Navy town of Bremerton, which takes you through Rich Passage and offers a peek of Mount Rainier and the Cascades. From the **Fauntleroy Ferry Terminal** (829 SW Barton St) in West Seattle, set sail for rural Vashon Island, only a 20-minute ride but a world away in vibe. This picturesque island is best explored by car or bike. In addition to the ferries, water taxis can take you from downtown to Vashon and West Seattle.

## WATERSIDE TABLES

For a meal with a side of scenery, dine at one of these restaurants with amazing water views.

### **RAY'S BOATHOUSE**

6049 Seaview Ave NW; [rays.com](http://rays.com)  
Choose your own adventure at this iconic spot overlooking Shilshole Bay. The main level focuses on fine dining, while upstairs is a casual cafe with fish-and-chips.

### **STONEHOUSE CAFÉ**

9701 Rainier Ave S; [thestonehousecafe.com](http://thestonehousecafe.com)  
Nosh on all-day breakfast faves like eggs Benedict at this homey cafe just across the street from Lake Washington, set in a Tudor-style building that was once a service station.

### **WHITE SWAN PUBLIC HOUSE**

1001 Fairview Ave N; [whiteswanpublichouse.com](http://whiteswanpublichouse.com)  
Watch the boats bobbing along Lake Union from this prime waterside spot while you try Poutine of the Sea, a chowder-style gravy over fries with steamed clams.

### **SAINT BREAD**

1421 NE Boat St; [saintbread.com](http://saintbread.com)  
Cozy up to views of Portage Bay at this boat-building facility turned bakery, where you can delight in treats like cardamom knots, melonpan, and fried egg sandwiches.

### **AQUA BY EL GAUCHO**

★2801 Alaskan Way; [elgaucbo.com/seattle](http://elgaucbo.com/seattle)  
This deck overlooking Elliott Bay perfectly positions you to gaze at the Olympic Mountains and Mount Rainier while enjoying filet mignon and lobster tail.

### **ELLIOTT'S OYSTER HOUSE**

★1201 Alaskan Way; [elliottsoysterhouse.com](http://elliottsoysterhouse.com)  
Right on downtown's Pier 56, this waterfront restaurant knows a thing or two about oysters—enjoy the expertly shucked delicacies while watching the boats go by.



### **DANIEL'S BROILER LESCHI**

★200 Lake Washington Blvd; [danielsbroiler.com](http://danielsbroiler.com)  
Inside a historic boathouse on the west shore of Lake Washington, admire the panoramic views of Mount Rainier and the Cascades from this elegant steak house.

### **CACTUS ALKI BEACH**

2820 Alki Ave SW; [cactusrestaurants.com](http://cactusrestaurants.com)  
The tamales, tacos, and tequila at this Southwestern-Mexican standby are best enjoyed on the outdoor patio with glimpses of ferries gliding along picturesque Puget Sound.

# SHORELINE STROLLS

When the tide is low, there's great tidepooling and beachcombing at Seattle's beautiful beaches. Visit [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks) for details about each one.

## Discovery Park

3801 Discovery Park Blvd  
There are plenty of tide pools to explore at this waterfront Magnolia park, known for its loop trail that winds its way through ever-changing terrain.

## Lincoln Park

8011 Fauntleroy Way SW  
After combining this West Seattle beach for anemones and sea snails, visit the park's outdoor heated saltwater pool, which boasts postcard-worthy views.

## Golden Gardens Park

8498 Seaview Pl NW  
Sea stars, mollusks, and other noteworthy organisms await along the rugged shoreline here. After you've finished searching, get a bonfire crackling in one of the firepits.

## Mount Baker Park

2521 Lake Park Dr S  
This family-friendly beach looks across Lake Washington to the Bellevue skyline. Wander along the tree-shaded sandy shores or head to the playground and tennis courts.

## Pritchard Island Beach

8400 55th Ave S  
This quiet stretch along Lake Washington is great for bird-watching and boasts wetlands with plantings native to the Northwest. In the summer, there are lifeguards on duty.

## Carkeek Park

950 NW Carkeek Park Rd  
Low tide reveals an additional 20 acres at this diverse Puget Sound park in Broadview, where the sunset is worth sticking around for.

## Alki Beach Park

2665 Alki Ave SW  
Look up to admire downtown's skyline; look down to see all kinds of interesting finds, including frosted sea glass.

Hiking in Discovery Park





# STEPPING OUT

In Seattle, a casual stroll can truly pique your sense of curiosity and wonder. Shaded by mature trees and lined with charming homes, colorful storefronts, and captivating art installations, our streets provide a window into the city's diversity, creativity, and both human-made and natural beauty. These memorable urban strolls begin downtown and lead through three enchanting neighborhoods.

## ALTERNATE OPTIONS

These rambles start downtown and fan out into Seattle's sometimes lofty hills. To reduce the amount of climbing, you can take **local buses** ([kingcounty.gov/en/dept/metro](http://kingcounty.gov/en/dept/metro)), which accommodate wheelchairs, strollers, and bikes—or use Uber or Lyft for part of the itinerary. Other alternatives to walking include bike- and scooter-share app-based services. See Getting Around on page 83 for more details.

# Downtown to Capitol Hill

DISTANCE  
3.3 MILES  
TIME  
1.5-2 HOURS



**TART AT HISTORIC** Pike Place Market (★85 Pike St; [pikeplacemarket.org](http://pikeplacemarket.org)) with a bite to eat at **Anchorhead**

Coffee (★2003 Western Ave; [anchorheadcoffee.com](http://anchorheadcoffee.com)), which serves seasonal espresso drinks—like the blackberry-caramel latte—and quaffles (a crunchy-flaky hybrid between a croissant and a waffle). Or for omelets, pancakes, and more substantial breakfast fare, have a seat at **Market Diner** (1514 Pike Pl; [facebook.com/marketdiner](http://facebook.com/marketdiner)).

Walk east up Pine Street past **Westlake Park** (401 Pine St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks))—with its fountain, food trucks, and picnic tables—and by the impressive nine-story Renaissance-style 1918 building that contains Seattle's flagship **Nordstrom** (★500 Pine St; [nordstrom.com](http://nordstrom.com)) department store. Just beyond Ninth Avenue, note the historic **Paramount Theatre** (★911 Pine St; [stgpresents.org](http://stgpresents.org)), which presents top-name touring musicals and concerts, and gaze up at the stunning new **Seattle Convention Center Summit building** (★900 Pine St; [seattleconventioncenter.com](http://seattleconventioncenter.com)) before crossing over Interstate 5 into the lower end of Capitol Hill.

You'll notice immediately that this neighborhood hums with trendy eateries, bars, and boutiques. Turn right onto Melrose Avenue, stopping to browse the well-curated food and gift retailers inside **Melrose Market** (1527 Melrose Ave; [melrosemarketseattle.com](http://melrosemarketseattle.com)). Then try the latest coffee concoctions at **Starbucks Reserve Roastery** (★1124 Pike St; [starbucks.com](http://starbucks.com)) before turning east onto Pike Street into this diverse district—note the rainbow crosswalks, in honor of Capitol Hill being the hub of Seattle's LGBTQIA+ community. Turn left onto 10th Avenue, stopping to browse inside the legendary **Elliott Bay Book Company** (1521 10th Ave; [elliottbaybook.com](http://elliottbaybook.com)).

Heading north through **Cal Anderson Park** (1635 11th Ave; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), pass the playing fields and briefly detour east a half block to pick up a cold brew or iced chai at friendly **Cafe Argento** (★1125 E Olive St; [instagram.com/cafe.argento](http://instagram.com/cafe.argento)). Return to the park and sip your refreshment on a bench near picturesque **Lincoln Reservoir and Waterworks Fountain** (a.k.a. "fountain mountain," because of its shape). At the north end of the park, don't miss the moving and beautifully designed **AIDS Memorial Pathway** (920 E Barbara Bailey Way; [theamp.org](http://theamp.org)), with its striking public artworks, before walking a block west to Broadway.

Turn north through this bustling commercial corridor lined with interesting shops like **Phoenix Comics & Games** (113 Broadway E; [shop.phoenixseattle.com](http://shop.phoenixseattle.com)), **Spin Cycle Records** (321 Broadway E; [seattlespincycle.co](http://seattlespincycle.co)), and **Crossroads Trading** (325 Broadway E; [crossroadstrading.com](http://crossroadstrading.com)) for both vintage and current, on-trend clothing. You'll find inviting spots for a drink or a bite to eat, including high-ceilinged **Corvus & Company** (601 Broadway E; [corvusandcompany.com](http://corvusandcompany.com)), with its delicious Asian street food, and nautically inspired bar **Bait Shop** (606 Broadway E; [baitshopseattle.com](http://baitshopseattle.com)). As the neighborhood becomes more residential, turn east up Aloha Street for a few blocks—noting the many Victorian and Craftsman houses—then left on tree-shaded 14th Avenue E to **Volunteer Park** (1247 15th Ave E; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)). Step inside the historic brick water tower and follow the curving staircase up to the top to see the historic photos and take the downtown skyline. Then visit the park's other impressive attractions, including the striking **Seattle Asian Art Museum** (★1400 E Prospect St; [seattleartmuseum.org](http://seattleartmuseum.org)) and plant-filled **Volunteer Park Conservatory** (1400 E Galer St; [volunteerparkconservatory.org](http://volunteerparkconservatory.org)).



- 1 Pike Place Market
- 2 Anchorhead Coffee
- 3 Market Diner
- 4 Westlake Park
- 5 Nordstrom
- 6 Paramount Theatre
- 7 Seattle Convention Center Summit building
- 8 Melrose Market
- 9 Starbucks Reserve Roastery
- 10 Elliott Bay Book Company
- 11 Cal Anderson Park
- 12 Cafe Argento
- 13 Lincoln Reservoir and Waterworks Fountain
- 14 AIDS Memorial Pathway
- 15 Phoenix Comics & Games
- 16 Spin Cycle Records
- 17 Crossroads Trading
- 18 Corvus & Company
- 19 Bait Shop
- 20 Volunteer Park
- 21 Seattle Asian Art Museum
- 22 Volunteer Park Conservatory

## ALTERNATE OPTIONS

Bus 49 traces much of this route, along the lower Pike-Pine corridor and up Broadway to within a couple of blocks of Volunteer Park. For a shorter walk, from Pine Street you can bypass the upper Pike-Pine corridor and Cal Anderson Park by taking E Olive Way to Broadway.

## MARKET TO MOHAI

The bustling and culturally rich **Market to MOHAI Corridor** ([markettomohai.org](http://markettomohai.org)) is another great route for a rewarding urban walk. From **Pike Place Market** (★85 Pike St; [pikeplacemarket.org](http://pikeplacemarket.org)) to the engaging **Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI)** (★860 Terry Ave N; [mohai.org](http://mohai.org)), this 1.7-mile (one-way) ramble passes through four parks and by numerous attractions, restaurants, and shops. Along the way, 75 sidewalk panels are printed with inspiring literary quotes, and 46 light posts contain interpretative panels with photos that relate colorful tales of Seattle's rich history.

# Belltown to Queen Anne Hill

DISTANCE  
3 MILES  
TIME  
1.5-2  
HOURS



## BEGINNING IN NINE-ACRE Olympic Sculpture

**Park** (★2901 Western Ave; [seattleartmuseum.org/visit/olympic-sculpture-park](http://seattleartmuseum.org/visit/olympic-sculpture-park)), follow the zigzagging paths past eye-catching art and over the train tracks down to the paved Elliott Bay Trail, which fringes the waterfront. Walk by **Pocket Beach** and **Myrtle Edwards Park** (3130 Alaskan Way; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), taking in the splendid views across Puget Sound toward the Olympic Mountains. Then cross the pedestrian bridge to West Thomas Street, which offers several spots for snacking on its steady slope east into the Uptown neighborhood. Try **Bake Shop** (221 First Ave W; [bakeshopseattle.com](http://bakeshopseattle.com)), which serves tasty ham-gouda-and-egg breakfast sandwiches and vegan miso buckwheat cookies.

As you approach the crest of the hill, the flying saucer-inspired observation tower atop the **Space Needle** (★400 Broad St; [space-needle.com](http://space-needle.com)) will come into view. You'll soon pass the state-of-the-art **Climate Pledge Arena** (★334 First Ave N; [climatepledgearena.com](http://climatepledgearena.com)), home to NHL hockey's **Seattle Kraken** ([nhl.com/kraken](http://nhl.com/kraken)) and WNBA basketball's **Seattle Storm** ([storm.wnba.com](http://storm.wnba.com)), as you enter the festive 74-acre campus of **Seattle Center** (★305 Harrison St; [seattlecenter.com](http://seattlecenter.com)), home to many of the city's top museums and performing spaces.

Explore this dynamic cultural district's striking buildings and attractive grounds, including Neototems Children's Garden, Kobe Bell Meditation Garden, Center Steps Plaza, and the popular International

Fountain (a fun place to cool off on a hot day). The **Seattle Center Armory Food & Event Hall** ([seattlecenter.com/explore/foodand-drink](http://seattlecenter.com/explore/foodand-drink)) is home to local eateries like **Skillet Counter** ([skilletfood.com](http://skilletfood.com)) and **MOD Pizza** ([modpizza.com](http://modpizza.com)), and kids love frolicking in the whimsically designed Artists at Play Playground.

Emerging from Seattle Center's northwest corner, turn north up Queen Anne Avenue N, which climbs steeply toward Queen Anne Hill, the 456-foot-tall summit of this charming neighborhood named for the ornate turn-of-the-20th-century architectural style that characterizes many of its houses. At W Highland Street, turn left and walk three mercifully flat blocks to **Kerry Park** (211 W Highland Dr; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), where you can catch your breath on a bench while savoring the stunning view of Seattle's skyline (it's famously featured in TV's *Frasier*). For a memorable photo op, frame your shot through the curves of Doris Totten Chase's abstract sculpture, *Changing Form*.

Walk north three blocks to W Galer Avenue and treat yourself to a scoop of mint-brownie ice cream at **Molly Moon's** (321 W Galer St; [mollymoon.com](http://mollymoon.com)) or a Valencia orange latte at **Caffe Fiore** (224 W Galer St; [facebook.com/caffefioreseattle](http://facebook.com/caffefioreseattle)). Then follow Galer east three blocks to explore Queen Anne Hill's inviting eateries and shops. Have dinner at the contemporary American restaurant **Betty** (1507 Queen Anne Ave N; [bettyrestaurant.com](http://bettyrestaurant.com)), sip wine at **Aluel Cellars** (1629 Queen Anne Ave N; [aluelcellars.com](http://aluelcellars.com)), and browse fun gifts and toys at **Stuhlberg's** (1801 Queen Anne Ave N; [stuhlbergs.com](http://stuhlbergs.com)). Or cap off your adventure with a meal at the trendy gastropub **Big Max Burger Co** (1935 Queen Anne Ave N; [bigmaxburgerco.com](http://bigmaxburgerco.com)).



- 1 Olympic Sculpture Park
- 2 Pocket Beach
- 3 Myrtle Edwards Park
- 4 Bake Shop
- 5 Space Needle
- 6 Climate Pledge Arena
- 7 Seattle Center
- 8 Seattle Center Armory Food & Event Hall
- 9 Skillet Counter
- 10 MOD Pizza
- 11 Kerry Park
- 12 Molly Moon's
- 13 Caffe Fiore
- 14 Betty
- 15 Aluel Cellars
- 16 Stuhlberg's
- 17 Big Max Burger Co



## ALTERNATE OPTIONS

From Seattle Center, you can skip the steep walk by taking bus 2 or 13 up Queen Anne Avenue N to Queen Anne Hill. You can also reduce your walking if you bypass the shoreline along Elliott Bay and instead, from Olympic Sculpture Park, walk up Broad Street to Seattle Center.

# Pioneer Square to Beacon Hill

DISTANCE  
2.2 MILES  
TIME  
1.25-1.5  
HOURS

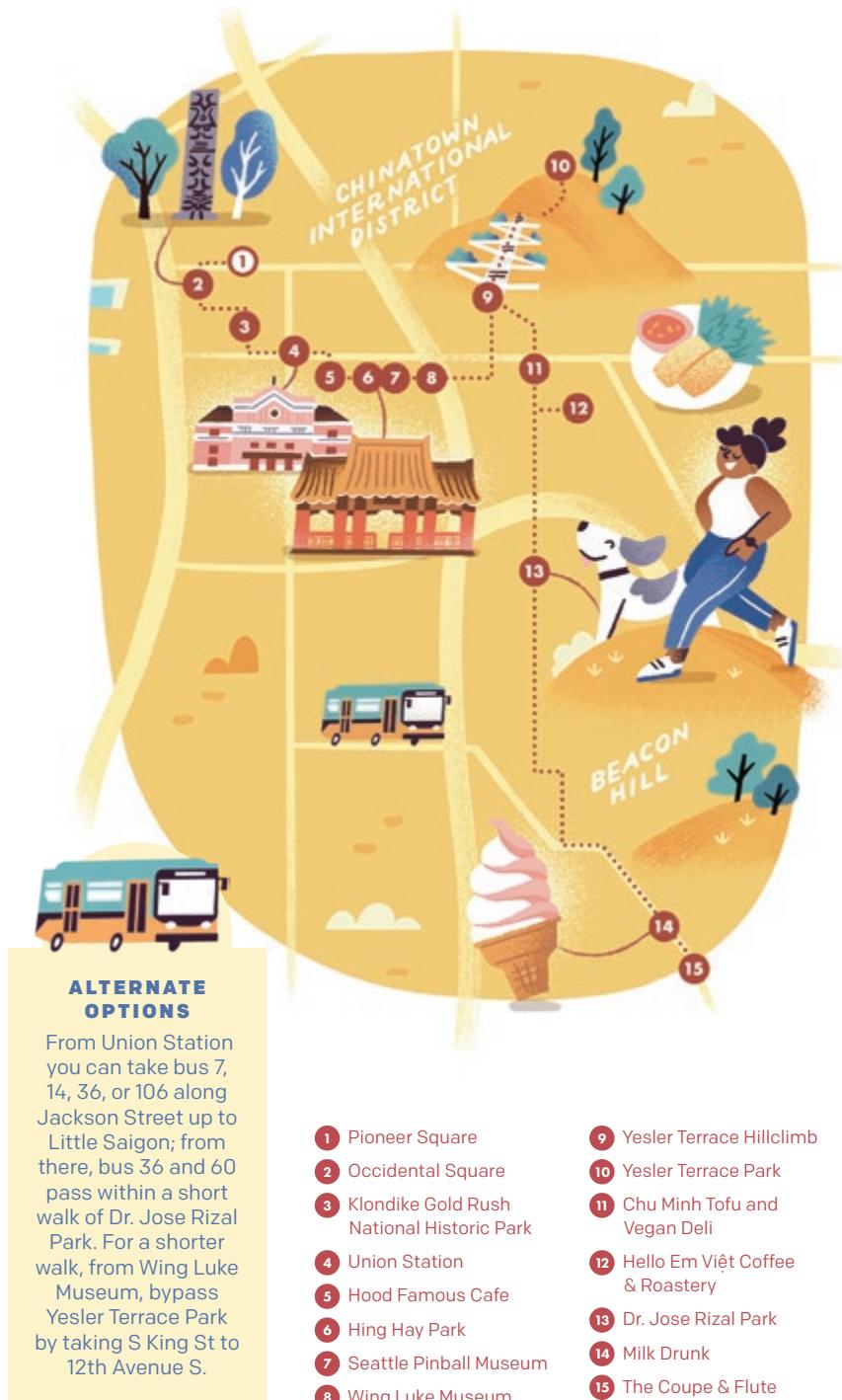


**TART YOUR ADVENTURE** at **Pioneer Square** (100 Yesler Way; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), a historic sliver of greenery that's home to a 50-foot-tall Tlingit totem pole and a 1909 bronze statue of Suquamish and Duwamish Chief Seattle. Walk south a block, admiring the stately architecture—much of it in the Romanesque Revival style—of the city's oldest neighborhood, passing through tree-shaded **Occidental Square** (117 S Washington St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) and on to **Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park** (★319 Second Ave S; [nps.gov/klse](http://nps.gov/klse)) to explore the free and engaging exhibits about the city's role as an embarkation point for fortune-seekers during the 1890s gold rush in Canada's Yukon.

Walk east on S Jackson Street past **Union Station** (401 S Jackson St; [soundtransit.org](http://soundtransit.org)), a 1911 Beaux-Arts beauty, into the dynamic Chinatown-International District, which Chinese, Japanese, and other Asian immigrants began settling in the late 19th century. Turn right onto Fifth Avenue S, stopping for a slice of ube cheesecake at **Hood Famous Cafe** (★504 Fifth Ave S; [hoodfamousbakeshop.com](http://hoodfamousbakeshop.com)), before walking through the elaborate 45-foot-tall Historic Chinatown Gate at S King Street. Admire the gardens of **Hing Hay Park** (423 Maynard Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), before taking a turn or two on one of 50 classic and modern games at the **Seattle Pinball Museum** (★508 Maynard Ave S; [seattlepinballmuseum.com](http://seattlepinballmuseum.com)). A block east is the outstanding, Smithsonian-affiliated **Wing Luke Museum** (★719 S King St; [wingluke.org](http://wingluke.org)), where well-designed history and art exhibits relate Seattle's Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander heritage.

Farther east, S King Street rises sharply as it crosses beneath Interstate 5. Turn left on 10th Avenue S and walk through the landscaped **Yesler Terrace Hillclimb** (300 10th Ave S) and then among lawns, a playground, and water features at **Yesler Terrace Park** (903 E Yesler Way; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)). Walk southeast to 12th Avenue South, the heart of Little Saigon, where great dining options include **Chu Minh Tofu and Vegan Deli** (1043 S Jackson St; [chuminhtofu.com](http://chuminhtofu.com)) for bánh mì and salad rolls, and **Hello Em Việt Coffee & Roastery** (1227 S Weller St; [helloem.coffee](http://helloem.coffee)) for Vietnamese-style hot and iced espresso drinks.

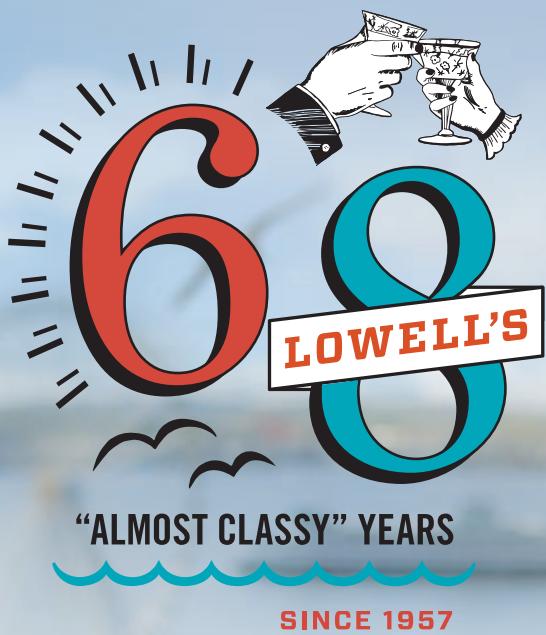
Continue south on 12th Avenue S over the bridge above Interstate 90 to diverse Beacon Hill and **Dr. Jose Rizal Park** (1007 12th Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), with its spectacular views—especially at sunset—of downtown, Elliott Bay, and the Olympic range. Extend your walk (or take the bus) another mile down to Beacon Avenue's hip dining, like **Milk Drunk** (2805 Beacon Ave S; [themilkdrunk.com](http://themilkdrunk.com)) for gourmet soft-serve ice cream and **The Coupe & Flute** (3015 Beacon Ave S; [instagram.com/thecoupeandfluteseattle](http://instagram.com/thecoupeandfluteseattle)) for Champagne and tasty appetizers.



## ALTERNATE OPTIONS

From Union Station you can take bus 7, 14, 36, or 106 along Jackson Street up to Little Saigon; from there, bus 36 and 60 pass within a short walk of Dr. Jose Rizal Park. For a shorter walk, from Wing Luke Museum, bypass Yesler Terrace Park by taking S King St to 12th Avenue S.

- 1 Pioneer Square
- 2 Occidental Square
- 3 Klondike Gold Rush National Historic Park
- 4 Union Station
- 5 Hood Famous Cafe
- 6 Hing Hay Park
- 7 Seattle Pinball Museum
- 8 Wing Luke Museum
- 9 Yesler Terrace Hillclimb
- 10 Yesler Terrace Park
- 11 Chu Minh Tofu and Vegan Deli
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- 13 Dr. Jose Rizal Park
- 14 Milk Drunk
- 15 The Coupe & Flute



## *A Taste of Old-School Seattle*

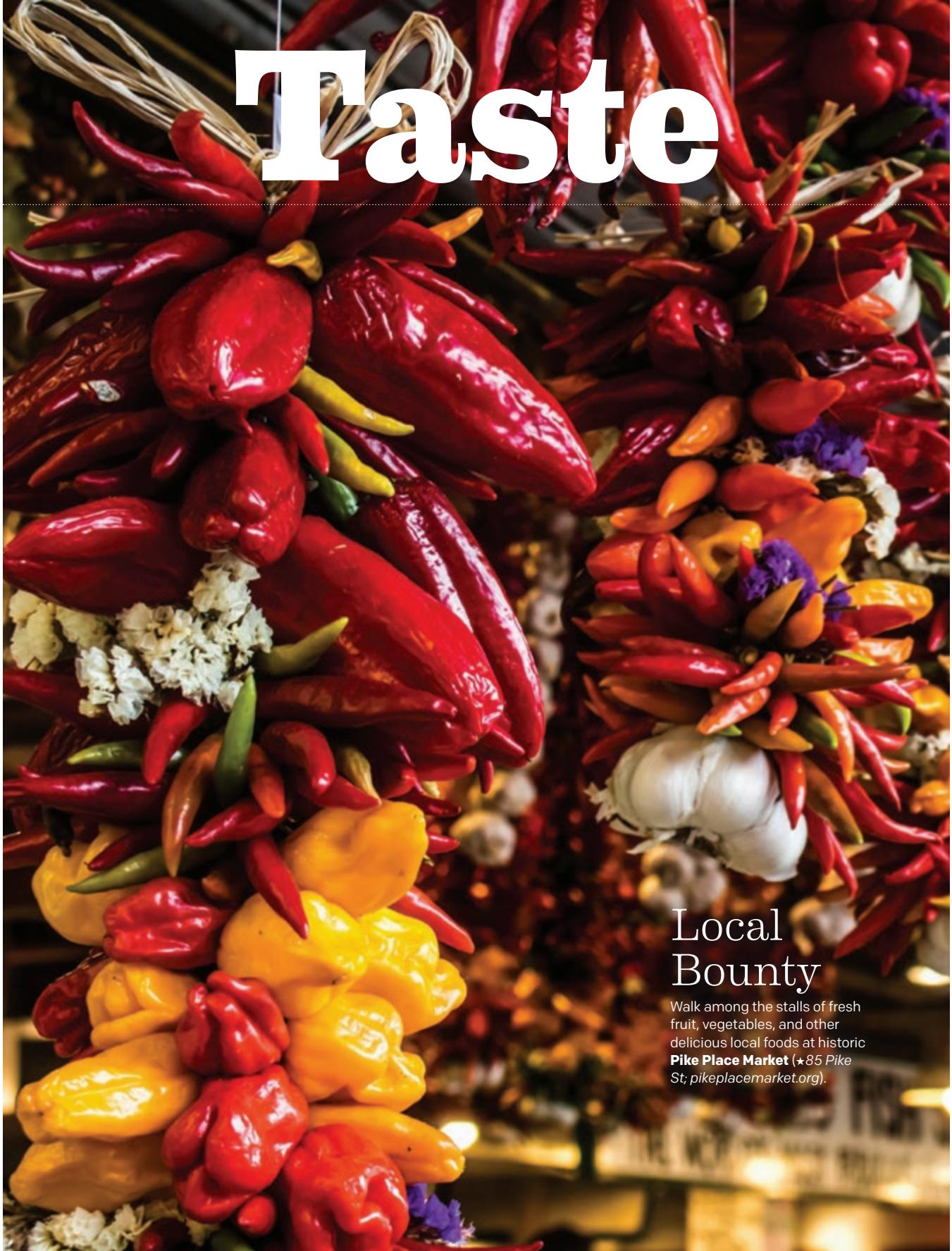
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★Multiple locations; [ddir.com](http://ddir.com)

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6615 E Marginal Way S; [mattshotdogs.com](http://mattshotdogs.com)

When in Rome, do as Romans do—and when in Seattle, you have to try a Seattle Dog. And Matt's in Georgetown will hook you up with this local delicacy: a 100-percent beef dog served with cream cheese and grilled onions. Compare and contrast to the Chicago Dog, the New York Dog, or the Slaw Dog.

### LIL WOODY'S

Multiple locations; [lilwoodys.com](http://lilwoodys.com)

Why should carnivores have all the fun? At Lil Woody's—with locations in Ballard, Capitol Hill, and White Center—you can sub an Impossible Burger for any preparation, and add a gluten-free bun if you wish. Try the Veggie Veggie, a house-made black bean burger with diced pickles, chopped onions, tomato slices, lettuce, and ketchup.

### 49TH STREET BEAST

936 NW 49th St; [instagram.com/49thstreetbeast](http://instagram.com/49thstreetbeast)

When you're craving a fancy burger, head to this casual outpost of the tremendously acclaimed Beast and Cleaver restaurant that's located at Ballard's hip Fair Isle Brewing. Crafted from 100-day-aged beef, this melt-in-your-mouth patty is topped with just American cheese and ketchup. Arrive early—these heavenly burgers sell out fast.

### HALCYON BREWING COMPANY

8564 Greenwood Ave N; [halcyonbrewingco.com](http://halcyonbrewingco.com)

Available in all-beef and veggie varieties, the creative hot dogs at Halcyon in Greenwood take their inspiration from Asian flavors. Consider the Japanese Umami Bomb, flavored with chili oil, nori strips, and green onion; the Ode to Bahn Mi Dog, complete with pickled carrot and daikon, jalapeño, and cilantro; and the Kim Cheese, the perfect melding of—you guessed it—kimchi and cheese.

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## GLUTEN-FREE SEATTLE



After the birth of her daughter in 2000 triggered her celiac disease, Seattleite Jeanne Sauvage had to quickly adjust to a gluten-free lifestyle. The author of *Gluten-Free Wish List: Sweet and Savory Treats You've Missed the Most* has learned a lot over the years, which she shares in her blog, **Art of Gluten-Free Baking** ([artofglutenfreebaking.com](http://artofglutenfreebaking.com)). When she's not whipping up her own food, Sauvage has a handful of go-to spots around the city.

One of her favorite places for takeout is Phinney Ridge's **The Chicken Supply** (7410 Greenwood Ave N; [thechickensupply.com](http://thechickensupply.com)), a Filipino fried chicken shop where the dredge, breading, and soy sauce are all gluten-free, along with sides like coconut collard greens and garlic rice. "It just tastes good no matter what—you don't have to be gluten-free to like it," Sauvage says. There's more great chicken at **Bamboo Sushi** (2675 NE University Village Ln; [bamboosushi.com](http://bamboosushi.com)) in University Village, where Sauvage is a fan of the chicken karaage and tempura fried cauliflower. In Wallingford, **Kabul Afghan Cuisine** (2301 N 45th St; [kabulrestaurant.com](http://kabulrestaurant.com)) serves up kebabs and braised vegetables that are always a hit. "They aren't officially gluten-free, but I've never had a reaction," she says. "When friends and family visit, they insist that we get food from there."

For burgers, Sauvage enjoys the Western-themed **Giddy Up Burgers & Greens** (4600 Leary Way NW; [giddyupburgers.com](http://giddyupburgers.com)) in Ballard, which features locally sourced beef on gluten-free buns (along with chicken, seafood, vegetarian, and vegan options). The eight dipping sauces, made in-house, are all gluten-free. More delicious burgers await at **Uneeda Burger** (4302 Fremont Ave N; [uneedaburger.com](http://uneedaburger.com)), which notes what's gluten-free on the menu for easy ordering.

To put together a picnic, Sauvage likes **DeLaurenti Food & Wine** (1435 First Ave; [delarenti.com](http://delarenti.com)), a gourmet grocery store in Pike Place Market with a good selection of meats, cheeses, and other snacks. "It's kind of fun to wander through there and just pick stuff up," she says. For a little something sweet, you can't go wrong with **Hot Cakes** (5427 Ballard Ave NW and 1650 E Olive Way; [getyourhotcakes.com](http://getyourhotcakes.com)). All of the molten cakes are gluten-free or can be made to be, including Dark Decadence, with Theo chocolate, dry-burned caramel, cocoa nib toffee, and vanilla ice cream.



Ballard  
Seafood Fest

## EDIBLE EVENTS

Eat and sip your way through these festive annual food gatherings.

### CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE SUMMER CONCERTS

May 25–Sep 28

Combine wine tasting in nearby Woodinville with an open-air concert held on the gracious grounds of Washington's first vintner. Upcoming shows include Grammy Award-winning singer-songwriter Sarah McLachlan, acclaimed R&B and soul artist John Legend, and country star Wynonna Judd.

[ste-michelle.com/visit-us/summer-concerts](http://ste-michelle.com/visit-us/summer-concerts)

### BALLARD SEAFOOD FEST

July 12–14

Live music, arts and crafts, family activities, and a great sampling of the neighborhood's famous beer scene are among the highlights of this event that's been honoring Ballard's vibrant maritime heritage since 1974. Dozens of local vendors serve up delicious fish-and-chips, salmon barbecue, cod tacos, and more. [seafoodfest.org](http://seafoodfest.org)

### BITE OF SEATTLE

July 19–21

This free happening at Seattle Center offers a terrific mix of food, drink, and music, with some 250 local vendors dispensing everything from Cambodian street corn to seafood jambalaya. More than 50 musicians take the stage, and there's local wine and craft beer too. If you like impressive food showcases, return to Seattle in mid-March 2025 for the nation's largest single-region wine and food festival, **Taste Washington** ([tastewashington.org](http://tastewashington.org)). [biteofseattle.com](http://biteofseattle.com)

### PIKE PLACE MARKET SUNSET SUPPER

Aug 16

More than 100 top local eateries, winemakers, brewers, and distilleries serve exceptional food and drink at this feast benefitting the Pike Place Market Foundation. [pikeplacemarketfoundation.org/events/sunset-supper](http://pikeplacemarketfoundation.org/events/sunset-supper)

### FREMONT OKTOBERFEST

Sep 20–22

Usher in autumn at Seattle's biggest beer festival, which takes place in colorful Fremont. Sample craft beers and ciders from more than 100 producers. Stein-hoisting competitions, DJ'd music, and a pooch-friendly Dogtoberfest add to the festivities. [fremontoktoberfest.com](http://fremontoktoberfest.com)

### SEATTLE RESTAURANT WEEK

Oct 27–Nov 9

Explore more than 200 renowned dining spots during the fall installment of this biannual event that also takes place in April. From fine bistros to casual food trucks, restaurants create special set brunch, lunch, and dinner menus priced from \$20 to \$65. It's a wonderful chance to try incredible food at a significant discount. [srweek.org](http://srweek.org)



Barrio

## Comida Latina

Greater Seattle's sizable—and growing—Latino/a/x population manifests itself in many ways, from cultural festivals to family-owned shops. It's also a big reason that the city has so many incredible Latino/a/x restaurants.

You'll find establishments specializing in Mexican food in virtually every neighborhood. Ballard's stylish meat-focused **Asadero** (5405 Leary Ave NW; [asaderoprime.com](http://asaderoprime.com)) is known for Wagyu steak tacos and filet mignon burritos, and adjacent **Valentina's** ([valentinascafe.com](http://valentinascafe.com)) specializes in Mexican-style mochas and tres leches cake. In Queen Anne, tuck into a plate of tamales with pork and tomatillo sauce at **El Mezcalito** (2123 Queen Anne Ave N; [seattlemetsoaxaca.com](http://seattlemetsoaxaca.com)) and in Capitol Hill check out trendy **Barrio Mexican Kitchen & Bar** (★1420 12th Ave; [barriorestaurant.com](http://barriorestaurant.com)) and hip **Fogón Cocina Mexicana** (600 E Pine St; [fogonseattle.com](http://fogonseattle.com)) for first-rate ceviche and crab enchiladas. Georgetown's **Fonda La Catrina** (5905 Airport Way S; [fondalacatrina.com](http://fondalacatrina.com)) offers up flavorful tacos and enchiladas in a funky storefront space.

Seattle also has dozens of casual taquerias and food trucks specializing in street food. Among the latter, **Taqueria La Fondita** (10050 15th Ave SW; [instagram.com/taquerialafondita](http://instagram.com/taquerialafondita)) in White Center serves mouthwatering shrimp tostadas; there's an additional location in Greenwood. Check out **Carmelo's Tacos** (★110 Summit Ave E; [carmelostacoswa.com](http://carmelostacoswa.com)) when you're in the mood for vegan nopal tortas, and **Tacos Chukis** (★219 Broadway E; [seattlechukis.com](http://seattlechukis.com)) for carne asada tacos.

Central American baked goods are the stars at **Salvadorean Bakery** (1719 SW Roxbury St; [salvadoreanbakery.com](http://salvadoreanbakery.com)), which has been serving hearty pupusas, tamales, and tamarindo aguas frescas since 1996. **Cafe Con Leche** (2901 First Ave S; [cafeconlechesseattle.com](http://cafeconlechesseattle.com)) in SoDo is a great option for Cuban sandwiches and tender ropa vieja, and **Paparepas Venezuelan Food** (★1620 Broadway; [paparepas.com](http://paparepas.com)) and **Arepas Venezuelan Kitchen** (1405 NE 50th St; [arepavenezuelakitchen.com](http://arepavenezuelakitchen.com)) present authentic versions of their namesake dishes along with plantain chips and empanadas.

Moving south on the map, feast on flame-grilled fare like parmesan pork loin and garlic shrimp at the Brazilian steak house **Grill from Ipanema** (2313 First Ave; [seattlegrillfromipanema.com](http://seattlegrillfromipanema.com)), and on flavorful causas stuffed with shrimp and tuna ceviche at the folk-art-filled Peruvian restaurant **Señor Carbón** (625 First Ave; [instagram.com/senorcarbonperuviancuisine](http://instagram.com/senorcarbonperuviancuisine)). Some restaurants feature dishes from across Latin America, such as **Mojito** (7545 Lake City Way NE; [mojitoSeattle.com](http://mojitoSeattle.com)) in Lake City, which serves everything from roasted marinated pork with fried yucca to Venezuelan-style pabellón (shredded beef with a toma-to-pepper sauce and rice and black beans), and White Center's **MexiCuban** (1622 SW Roxbury St; [mexicuban.com](http://mexicuban.com)), where you can sample everything from Yucatán-inspired cochinita pibil bowls to Havana-style Cuban sandwiches and plantain croquetas. And at **Garzón** (2132 First Ave; [garzonpnw.com](http://garzonpnw.com)), located inside Belltown's inviting Black Cat Bar, enjoy superb street food like Colombian-style hot dogs and chicken Milanesa sandwiches.



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## Fruit Plate

Washington leads the nation in the production of apples, blueberries, pears, and sweet cherries, and it's near the top of the list for apricots, raspberries, and grapes. No wonder so many Seattle chefs incorporate locally grown fruit into their menus, especially in summer and fall. Here are six restaurants that showcase the region's reputation as a fruit-growing mecca:

### SURRELL

**★2319 E Madison St, surrellseattle.com**

Whether served in the enchanted garden or in the fresh-flower-filled dining room, this sophisticated Madison Valley bistro celebrates the Northwest's bounty of hyper-local, seasonal produce. The multicourse tasting menus pop with colorful fruit, from braised short ribs with summer corn, chanterelles, and blueberries to black-sesame olive oil cake topped with preserved summer berries.

### COMMUNION

**2350 E Union St; communiononseattle.com**

Chef Kristi Brown leans toward contemporary Southern recipes at this refined Central District restaurant, which often highlights Northwest fruit. Pork chops may be matched with a peach-watermelon salsa, apple compote, or rum-infused plum chutney. And salads sometimes feature pickled grapes or a strawberry-balsamic vinaigrette.

### A LA MODE PIES

**2034 NW 56th St, alamodeseattle.com**

It's only natural that a region famous for apples and berries is also famous for incredible pies. This upbeat Ballard dessert shop always carries an array of tantalizing pies, available whole or by the slice. Popular fillings include marionberry-hazelnut, summer peach, and French Granny Smith apple.

### PORTAGE BAY CAFE

**4130 Roosevelt Way NE; portagebaycafe.com**

This bright and airy U District brunch spot, with several other Seattle locations, is a must for decadent breakfast dishes topped with fresh fruit. Think oatmeal cobbler French toast with local berry compote and lemon ricotta pancakes topped with raspberry-lemon curd.

### DRIFTWOOD

**2722 Alki Ave SW; driftwoodseattle.com**

At this casually stylish West Seattle bistro overlooking Alki Beach, chef Dan Mallahan proves that seasonal fruits can provide a delectable contrast with fresh seafood. Consider starters like Taylor Shellfish oysters on the half shell with pickled green strawberries and elderflower vinegar, or smoked steelhead crudo accompanied by botanical gin, pickled peppers, and coastal gooseberries.

### PALACE KITCHEN

**2030 Fifth Ave; palacekitchen.com**

At this legendary Belltown restaurant helmed by James Beard Award-winning chef and author Tom Douglas, you'll find fruit-accented fare like goat cheese-lavender fondue with grilled focaccia, Lucy Rose apples, and Bartlett pears; and rotisserie free-range chicken with a cranberry-cardamom compote. Save room for the rhubarb crostata with house-made vanilla ice cream.



### FRESHLY PICKED

Seattle is blessed with one of the nation's oldest continuously operating farmers markets, **Pike Place Market** (★85 Pike St; [pikeplacemarket.org](http://pikeplacemarket.org)), which is open daily. But it's also home to an array of both year-round and seasonal farmers markets. Starting in early summer, vendors at these lively gatherings offer up juicy, freshly harvested blueberries, cherries, blackberries, strawberries, peaches, apples, and more.

Some neighborhood markets, offering plenty of fruit jams, relishes, and baked goods:

**Ballard** 5345 Ballard Ave NW; [sfmarkets.com/visit-ballard-farmers-market](http://sfmarkets.com/visit-ballard-farmers-market)

**University District** 5031 University Way NE; [seattlefarmersmarkets.org/udfm](http://seattlefarmersmarkets.org/udfm)

**Fremont** 3401 Evanston Ave N; [fremontmarket.com](http://fremontmarket.com)

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## Refresher Course

On a classic Seattle summer day, when the sun casts its warm glow until well after 8 p.m., there's nothing quite like treating yourself to an icy dessert, anything from a waffle cone piled high with soft-serve to a decadent ice cream sandwich. Consider these delicious options:



### MATCHA MAN ICE CREAM & TAIYAKI

6014 12th Ave S; [instagram.com/matchamansea](https://www.instagram.com/matchamansea)

This Georgetown counter-service shop specializes in taiyaki, a whimsical Japanese fish-shaped cake, as a cone. The storefront serves creamy soft-serve in cool flavors like Fruity Pebble cereal milk, and pineapple Dole Whip.



### CREAMY CONE CAFE

9433 Rainier Ave S; [instagram.com/creamyconecafe](https://www.instagram.com/creamyconecafe)  
Enjoy rich, creatively flavored ice cream—available in dishes, cones, milkshakes, and inside ice cream sandwiches—at this cheerful Rainier Beach parlor that's perfect for a sweet break after visiting nearby Pritchard Island Beach or Kubota Garden.

**TRY:** a dish of fresh marionberry gelato

### HELLENIKA

★1920 Pike Pl; [hellenika.us](https://hellenika.us)

Stop by this bustling parlor inside Pike Place Market for luscious Greek-style frozen dairy desserts—basically cultured gelato—in unusual flavors like ube-coconut and honey-macadamia.



**TRY:** strawberry, chocolate-banana, or liliokoi popsicles

### SEATTLE POPS

1401 N 45th St; [seattlepops.com](https://seattlepops.com)

Gourmet popsicles in a dazzling range of flavors and colors are sold at this cute Wallingford shop with sidewalk picnic tables. Seattle Pops also dispenses their frozen delights, which include several seasonal flavors, at more than 20 area farmers markets.



**TRY:** an ice cream sundae with a Cookie Explosion flavor base (malted ice cream with Oreo, sugar cookie, sugar cookie dough, and chocolate chunks) and a caramel drizzle

### SWEET ALCHEMY ICE CREAMERY

★4301 University Way NE; [sweetalchemyicecreamery.com](https://sweetalchemyicecreamery.com)

Founded by University of Washington alum Lois Ko, this farm-to-scoop parlor sources its sweet cream base from an organic dairy in northern Washington and many of its other flavor ingredients from farms within a 100-mile radius.



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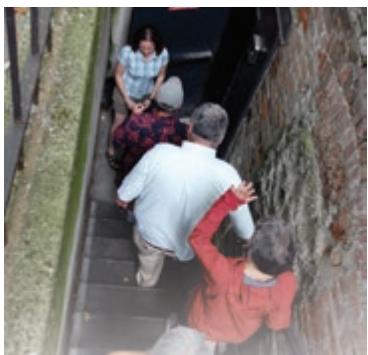
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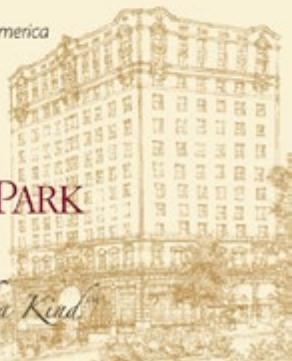
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# GOOD SPORTS



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Ave S; [mlb.com/mariners/ballpark](http://mlb.com/mariners/ballpark)) hosts the **Seattle Mariners** (★Major League Baseball; March–September; [mlb.com/mariners](http://mlb.com/mariners)), while next door, **Lumen Field** (★800 Occidental Ave S; [lumenfield.com](http://lumenfield.com)) stays busy as the home field for the **Seattle Seahawks** (★National Football League; September–January; [seahawks.com](http://seahawks.com)), **Seattle Sounders FC** (★Major League Soccer; February–October; [soundersfc.com](http://soundersfc.com)), and **Seattle Reign FC** (★National Women's Soccer League; March–November; [reignfc.com](http://reignfc.com)). In 2026, it will also host six FIFA World Cup matches, including a US Men's National Team group stage match. Seattle is a great pick, given that it has one of the highest average attendance records in Major League Soccer.

## BLAZE A TRAIL

Seattleites love nothing more than venturing out on a brisk hike. The city is laced with well-maintained trails through peaceful forests and along wildlife-rich waterways. Consider these four treks that appeal to hikers of all ages and skill levels:

### FOSTER AND MARSH ISLAND LOOP

[wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/foster-and-marsh-island-loop](http://wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/foster-and-marsh-island-loop)

**LENGTH** 1.5 miles roundtrip

This mostly level pathway through the peaceful northern end of Washington Park Arboretum flanks the pristine shoreline and waterfowl-inhabited wetlands of Lake Washington's Union Bay. You may see kayakers paddling nearby, and upon reaching Marsh Island via the boardwalk, you're treated to fine views across the water to the UW campus.

**TRAILHEAD** Off East Foster Island Road, outside the main entrance of **Washington Park Arboretum** (2300 Arboretum Dr E; [botanicgardens.uw.edu/washington-park-arboretum](http://botanicgardens.uw.edu/washington-park-arboretum))

### SQEBEQSED TRAIL

[alltrails.com/trail/us/washington/sqebeqsed-trail](http://alltrails.com/trail/us/washington/sqebeqsed-trail)

**LENGTH** 2 miles roundtrip

Most visitors to Seward Park walk along the path that loops around the peninsula, close to the shoreline of Lake Washington, but this picturesque and only slightly hilly jaunt through the park's interior makes for a tranquil alternative. This is one of the best bird-watching trails in the city.

**TRAILHEAD** By the Audubon Center at **Seward Park** (5902 Lake Washington Blvd S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks))

### DISCOVERY PARK LOOP TRAIL

[wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/discovery-park-loop-trail](http://wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/discovery-park-loop-trail)

**LENGTH** 2.8 miles roundtrip

One of the city's most popular coastal rambles roams beneath canopies of towering pines and through wildflower-strewn meadows, offering expansive views of Puget Sound and the Olympic Mountains. Keep an eye out for migratory birdlife—you may even spy a whale breaching offshore.

**TRAILHEAD** East parking lot, **Discovery Park** (Discovery Park Blvd; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks))



## WHERE TO WATCH

Looking to get hyped before the game or celebrate afterward with fellow fans? The food and vibe are on point at SoDo's **The Boxyard complex** (★1201 First Ave S), home to **Hatback Bar & Grille** ([hatback.com](http://hatback.com)), **Steelheads Alley** ([steelheadsalley.com](http://steelheadsalley.com)), and a beer garden with food trucks on game days. By Climate Pledge Arena, drop by sports pub **Uptown Hophouse** (219 First Ave N; [uptownhophouse.com](http://uptownhophouse.com)) for pulled pork sliders and craft beer. In Ballard, **Rough & Tumble Pub** (★5309 22nd Ave NW; [roughandtumblepub.com](http://roughandtumblepub.com)) is one of the nation's only sports bars devoted to women's sports. Features include a deck, a fun atmosphere, and a big menu—including vegan options and zero-proof mocktails.



### PIPERS CREEK TRAIL

[wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/carkeek-park](http://wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/carkeek-park)

**LENGTH** 3.5 miles roundtrip

This undulating path through the dense woods of northwest Seattle's Carkeek Park flanks tranquil Pipers Creek and feels as though it could be miles from civilization. At the trail's western edge, you'll have great views of Puget Sound, and you can access a short bridge over railroad tracks for a detour down to the beach.

**TRAILHEAD** Eddie McBee Entrance of **Carkeek Park** (NW 100th Pl at Sixth Ave NW; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks))

# Fantastic Festivals

'Tis the season for revelry, and in Seattle, there's never a shortage of fun events. Here are some of the best fests to put on your calendar.

## FESTÁL

Seattle Center plays host to this year-round series of 24 different festivals that highlight the international diversity that makes the region so vibrant, including the Pagdiriwang Philippine Festival (June 1 & 2), Polish Festival Seattle (July 13), and Brasilfest (Aug 18). [★seattlecenter.com/festal](http://seattlecenter.com/festal)

## NORTHWEST FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

Powered by donations, this annual event at Seattle Center celebrates the stories, music, dance, crafts, and traditions of the people who call the Pacific Northwest home. *May 24–27; [nwfolklife.org](http://nwfolklife.org)*

## SEAFAIR

It's not summer without Seafair, which celebrates its 75th anniversary this year. Over several weeks, experience the Torchlight Parade, 4th of July fireworks at both Gasworks Park and Lake Union Park, and Seafair Weekend featuring the US Navy Blue Angels and hydroplane races on Lake Washington. Seafair includes a wide array of smaller community events too, such as Greenwood Car Show and the Alki Art Show. *June 29–Aug 4; [seafair.org](http://seafair.org)*

## DAY IN DAY OUT

Watch The Head and the Heart, Carly Rae Jepsen, Bleachers, and dozens of other big-name acts take the stage during this spirited festival at Seattle Center's Fisher Pavilion. *July 12–14; [dayindayoutfest.com](http://dayindayoutfest.com)*

## WEST SEATTLE SUMMER FEST

Live music, food vendors, arts and crafts, activities for kids, and a beer garden are some of the ingredients that make this community fest in the West Seattle Junction a fan favorite. *July 12–14; [westseattlesummerfest.com](http://westseattlesummerfest.com)*

## CAPITOL HILL BLOCK PARTY

Dozens of performers—including Kaytranada, Kim Petras, and Still Woozy—headline this year's three-day music and arts party in one of Seattle's most diverse and dynamic neighborhoods. *July 19–21; [capitolhillblockparty.com](http://capitolhillblockparty.com)*

## SEATTLE ART FAIR

Art lovers rejoice: every July, Lumen Field Event Center transforms into a giant gallery of contemporary and modern art, complemented by installations, events, and performances. *July 25–28; [seattleartfair.com](http://seattleartfair.com)*

## BUMBERSHOOT

This Labor Day weekend staple at Seattle Center always boasts a can't-miss musical lineup, along with experiences that amplify local art, tech, food, and culture. *Aug 31 & Sep 1; [bumbershoot.com](http://bumbershoot.com)*

## REFRACT

Glass art shines at this festival held in locations across the region. Enjoy live demos, gallery events, private tours, art parties, museum exhibitions, and more, all showcasing creative uses of glass. *Oct 17–20; [refractseattle.org](http://refractseattle.org)*



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## LIVING HISTORY

**The Museum of Flight** (★9404 E Marginal Way S; [museumofflight.org](http://museumofflight.org)) is an aerophile's dream, with flashy exhibits like the Space Gallery and the Aviation Pavilion—filled with an impressive collection of aircraft that includes the first jet Air Force One, the only Concorde on the West Coast, the rare circa-1930s Boeing 247D, and three big bombers dating back to World War II and the Cold War. The historic Red Barn covers the romantic early days of aviation. Get interactive with flight simulators, a virtual reality ride aboard the Saturn V rocket, and a play area where kids can do everything from color to sit in a cockpit.

## TAKE FLIGHT

Much like the early days of aviation, **SEA Airport** (★[portseattle.org/sea-tac](http://portseattle.org/sea-tac)) is always evolving. Recently expanded, the International Arrivals Facility now includes an aerial walkway that's the world's longest over an active taxiway. The Central Terminal just keeps getting better, with the additions of dining options **Salty's at the SEA** and **Brewtop Social**, live music program Sounds at SEA, and rocking chairs with sweeping views of the runways. And the C Concourse is currently undergoing a major expansion, set to be complete in 2027, that will put a real focus on climate consciousness through features like nature-inspired design, rooftop solar panels, and fossil-fuel-free heating systems.

## SOARING OVER SEATTLE

What's even better than looking at aircraft? Flying in them, of course. Do just that—and get a bird's-eye view of the city—on a flightseeing



tour. **Kenmore Air** (★[kenmoreair.com/seattle-scenic](http://kenmoreair.com/seattle-scenic)) will take you on a scenic 30-minute seaplane tour that leaves from Lake Union and glides over the University of Washington, Elliott Bay, and the sports stadiums, while **Seattle HeliTours** ([seattlehelitours.com](http://seattlehelitours.com)) offers multiple helicopter itineraries out of Auburn Municipal Airport. (If you're looking to jazz up your Instagram feed, they also have picture-perfect routes for that.) For a different kind of flight, take a tranquil sunrise or sunset hot air balloon ride with **Seattle Ballooning** (★[seattleballooning.com](http://seattleballooning.com)), topped off with a traditional Champagne toast.

## THE AIR UP THERE

North of the city, **Boeing Future of Flight** (★8415 Paine Field Blvd, Mukilteo; [boeingfutureofflight.com](http://boeingfutureofflight.com)) recently reopened its famed factory tours, offering visitors a behind-the-scenes look at the Boeing 777 assembly line. (Wheelchair-accessible bus tours are available.) And the **Flying Heritage & Combat Armor Museum** (★3407109th St SW; [flyingheritage.org](http://flyingheritage.org)) in nearby Everett reopened last year and features more than two dozen vintage military aircraft from the late Paul Allen's collection, alongside tanks and other machinery.



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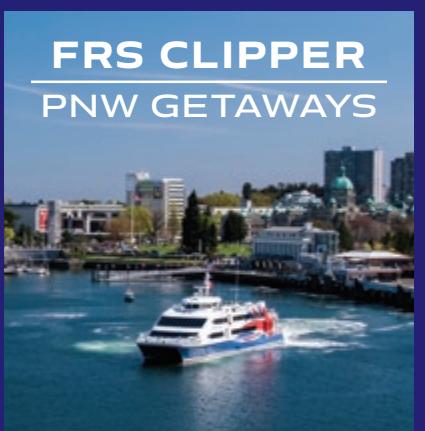


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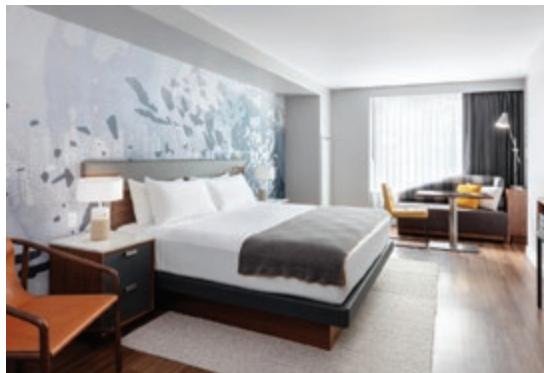
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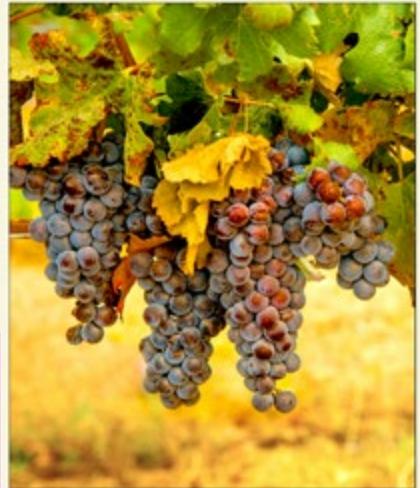
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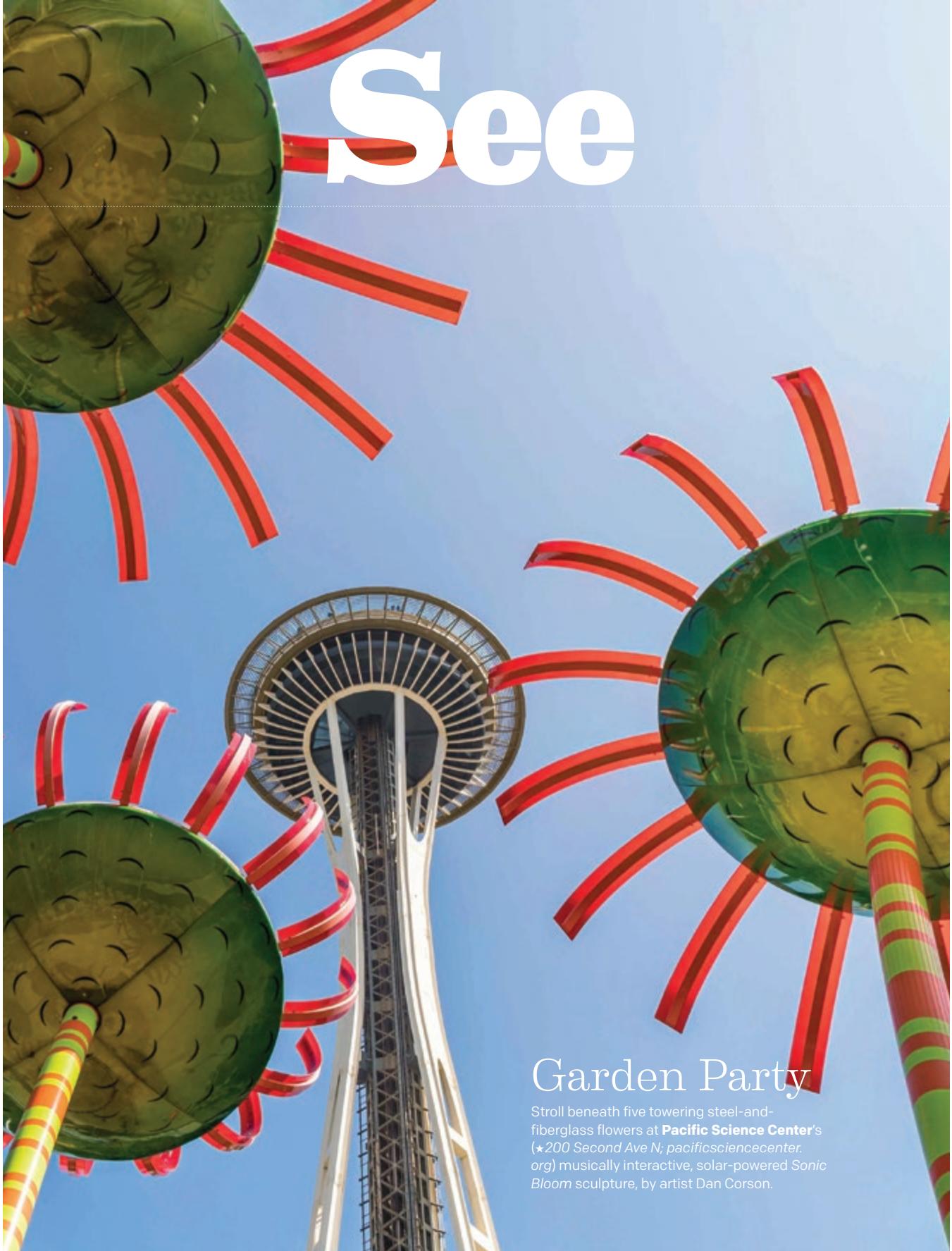
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## Garden Party

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## FAMILY FARE

No matter how old—or young—you are, Seattle has a showtime for you. At Seattle Center, check out the immersive laser light shows at **Pacific Science Center** (★200 Second Ave N; [pacificsciencecenter.org](http://pacificsciencecenter.org)), included with daytime admission tickets, or a family-friendly flick in one of the IMAX theaters—the six-story screens always impress. This engaging museum also hosts monthly sensory-friendly days and has a sensory lounge that provides a calm area for guests with diverse abilities. In summer, settle into a spot on the lawn at the Mural Amphitheatre for a free all-ages film as part of **Movies at the Mural** (★[seattlecenter.com](http://seattlecenter.com)). More complimentary big-screen fun awaits at the Central District's **Central Cinema** (1411 21st Ave; [central-cinema.com](http://central-cinema.com)), where you can catch two hours of classic cartoons during Family Cartoon Happy Hour every Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m.

Big-name artists come out to Woodland Park Zoo every summer as part of **ZooTunes** (★5500 Phinney Ave N; [zoo.org](http://zoo.org)), now in its 40th year. Spend time saying hello to the orangutans and river otters before snagging a good spot in the North Meadow. For a different kind of outdoor music show, **HONK! Fest West** (May 31–June 2; [honkfestwest.org](http://honkfestwest.org)) brings drum lines, percussion ensembles, and other high-energy street bands together in a toe-tapping three-day festival across various Seattle neighborhoods, including Georgetown and Columbia City. At the **Paramount Theatre** (★911 Pine St; [stgpresents.org](http://stgpresents.org)), delight in a Broadway show when *Peter Pan* (Aug 21–25) and *Wicked* (Nov 6–Dec 1) come to town.

For tiny tots up to age 5, **Seattle Symphony** (★200 University St; [seattlesymphony.org](http://seattlesymphony.org)) hosts interactive concerts—like *Tiny Orchestra: M Is for Music*, June 7 and 8—that introduce young listeners to the instruments in a symphony. (Come 30 minutes early for fun activities like crafts and a reading station.) On the other end of the age spectrum, older kids will love **TeenTix** (★[teentix.org](http://teentix.org)), a pass for teens 13–19 that gets them \$5 day-of-show tickets at more than 70 organizations around the city, including Seattle Opera, Taproot Theatre Company, and Pacific Northwest Ballet. Another highlight for creative youth is **The Vera Project** (305 Harrison St; [theveraproject.org](http://theveraproject.org)), with an all-ages music venue, screen print shop, recording studio, and art gallery.



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**SEATTLE ASIAN ART MUSEUM**

**THROUGH JULY 7**

This multimedia, textile-driven installation by Tacoma-based international artist Anida Yoeu Ali "enacts fantastic mythical heroines as assertions of feminist, queer, and alternative visibilities." ★1400 E Prospect St; [seattleartmuseum.org/visit/asian-art-museum](http://seattleartmuseum.org/visit/asian-art-museum)

### **Nordic Utopia? African Americans in the 20th Century**

**NATIONAL NORDIC MUSEUM**

**THROUGH JULY 21**

Paintings, music, dance, and other forms are used to tell the story of how and why many Black Americans migrated to Scandinavia throughout the 20th century. ★2655 NW Market St; [nordicmuseum.org](http://nordicmuseum.org)

### **Hank Willis Thomas: LOVERULES**

**HENRY ART GALLERY**

**THROUGH AUG 4**

Some 90 photographic, sculptural, and mixed-media works by the provocative conceptual artist and activist explore corporate America, race relations, and civic engagement. ★15th Ave NE & NE 41st St; [henryart.org](http://henryart.org)

### **Calder: In Motion**

**SEATTLE ART MUSEUM**

**THROUGH AUG 4**

See more than 45 pieces—from giant stabiles to expressive works on paper—by renowned sculptor Alexander Calder. The collection has been gifted to the museum by longtime supporters Jon and Kim Shirley. ★1300 First Ave; [seattleartmuseum.org](http://seattleartmuseum.org)

### **Towers of Tomorrow with LEGO Bricks**

**MOHAI (MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND INDUSTRY)**

**MAY 25–SEP 22**

This family-friendly exhibit showcases spectacular renditions of many of the iconic tall buildings in North America, Asia, and Australia, constructed by one of the world's foremost Lego-certified builders. ★860 Terry Ave N; [mohai.org](http://mohai.org)

### **Keith Haring: A Radiant Legacy**

**MUSEUM OF POP CULTURE (MOPOP)**

**OCT 11, 2024–MAR 24, 2025**

Explore the immense talent and tragically short life of the legendary pop artist at this extensive exhibit of his instantly recognizable paintings and prints. ★325 Fifth Ave N; [mopop.org](http://mopop.org)



Pacific Northwest Ballet

## PEAK PERFORMANCE

Seattle has a packed year-round calendar of shows to see and enjoy.

### PACIFIC NORTHWEST BALLET

★McCaw Hall, 321 Mercer St; [pnb.org](http://pnb.org)

Widely known for the quality of its choreography and dancers, PNB always puts on a good show under the artistic direction of former New York City Ballet dancer Peter Boal.

**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS** George Balanchine's *Coppélia* (May 31–June 9); *The Times Are Racing* (Sep 20–29)

### SEATTLE SYMPHONY

★Benaroya Hall, 200 University St; [seattlesymphony.org](http://seattlesymphony.org)

The Grammy Award-winning Seattle Symphony raises its instruments for a wide range of shows—from classical to pops—in downtown's acoustically exceptional Benaroya Hall.

**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS** *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* (July 12–14); Ravel & Shostakovich (Sep 19, 21)

### SEATTLE REP

★155 Mercer St; [seattlerep.org](http://seattlerep.org)

The mission of this regional theater is to reflect the diverse cultures, perspectives, and life experiences that make the Pacific Northwest what it is.

**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS** *Jinx Monsoon & Major Scales: Together Again, Again!* (May 31–June 23); Thornton Wilder's *The Skin of Our Teeth* (Sep 26–Oct 30)

### ACT THEATRE

★700 Union St; [acttheatre.org](http://acttheatre.org)

A community hub with five performance spaces, ACT aims to marry artistic ambition and civic engagement, sparking conversation with its works.

**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS** *POTUS* (Sep 7–22); *Mrs. Loman is Leaving* (Oct 12–27)

### THE 5TH AVENUE THEATRE

★1308 Fifth Ave; [5thavenue.org](http://5thavenue.org)

This 1926 theater in downtown provides a beautiful backdrop for touring musicals and Broadway-bound premieres.

**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS** *Spring Awakening* (June 7–30); *After Midnight* (Sep 20–Oct 13)

### SEATTLE OPERA

★McCaw Hall, 321 Mercer St; [seattleopera.org](http://seattleopera.org)

At Seattle Center, this innovative opera company tackles both long-beloved shows and world premieres with gusto.

**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS** *Pagliacci* (Aug 3–17); *Jubilee* (Oct 12–25)

### UNEXPECTED PRODUCTIONS

★1428 Post Alley; [unexpectedproductions.org](http://unexpectedproductions.org)

Seattle's oldest improv theater is easy to find—just look for the wall covered in bubblegum. Inside, they host a slate of recurring shows based on audience input.

**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS** *Loose Cannons Improv* (Thursdays at 8 p.m.); *Black Ice: An American Sitcom* (Sundays at 7 p.m.)

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# Modern Wonders

Whether you're admiring the skyline from a city park or the deck of a ferry boat chugging across Elliott Bay, Seattle's unique architecture always makes a dramatic impression. The city has an especially notable collection of modern designs from the 21st century.

## TRIP TIP

For a fascinating look at the city's striking buildings, book one of the excellent walking tours offered by the **Seattle Architecture Foundation** ([★seattlearchitecture.org/tours](http://seattlearchitecture.org/tours)).



### MUSEUM OF POP CULTURE (MOPOP)

★325 Fifth Ave N; [mopop.org](http://mopop.org)

Celebrated architect Frank Gehry designed this fanciful building in the heart of Seattle Center's cultural campus in 2000. The exterior is clad in undulating sheets of steel and aluminum in a kaleidoscope of bold colors, including "purple haze," a tribute to Seattle-born rocker Jimi Hendrix and the city's deep rock and roll roots.

### BURKE MUSEUM

★4303 Memorial Way NE; [burkemuseum.org](http://burkemuseum.org)

The state's oldest public museum moved into its current home, a stunning LEED Gold structure designed by Seattle's Olson Kundig Architects, in 2019. The linear three-story glass-and-steel building opens to the greenery of the University of Washington campus and has interior windows that allow visitors to view not only many of the museum's 16 million objects but also its curators and researchers at work.

### SEATTLE CENTRAL LIBRARY

★1000 Fourth Ave; [spl.org](http://spl.org)

Opened in 2004, this angular edifice looks breathtaking both outside and in. The famed Dutch architect Rem Koolhaas designed the city's main library to be filled with light and to be a joy to spend time in. The ingenious "Books Spiral" organizes the library's literary holdings on a span of shelves that curves continuously across the building's upper four stories.

### NATIONAL NORDIC MUSEUM

★2655 NW Market St; [nordicmuseum.org](http://nordicmuseum.org)

This impressive showcase of Scandinavian culture and history moved into a striking new contemporary space in Ballard in 2018. Designed by the Seattle-based architectural firm Mithun, the angular LEED Gold building contains Nordic-inspired elements like high gallery walls that evoke both the steep cliffs of a fjord and the hull of a ship that might have carried migrants across the ocean to North America.

### SEATTLE CONVENTION CENTER SUMMIT BUILDING

★900 Pine St; [seattleconventioncenter.com](http://seattleconventioncenter.com)

This magnificent LEED Platinum meeting space opened in early 2023, just 1½ blocks from the Convention Center's similarly alluring Arch building. Dazzling features include the Hillclimb staircase, the 3,900 suspended planks of reclaimed wood, and an incomparable collection of artwork with many pieces created by artists with connections to the Puget Sound region.

### SEATTLE SPHERES

2111 Seventh Ave; [seattlespheres.com](http://seattlespheres.com)

These three intersecting glass-dome conservatories opened on Amazon's South Lake Union campus in 2018. Together, these spheres hold a diverse collection of more than 40,000 plants—many of them installed on a four-story living wall—as well as a restaurant and retail stores.



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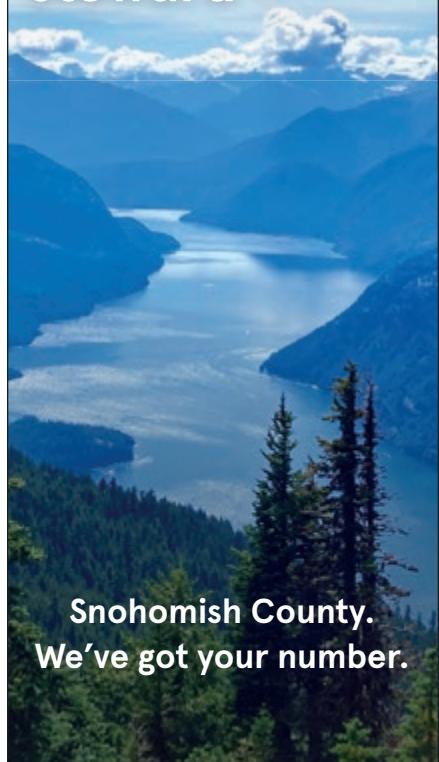
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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN AND AROUND SEATTLE

# Calendar

Be sure to check the full calendar in order to see events that span multiple months.

## Long-Term

### Ongoing

#### MASSIVE: THE POWER OF POP CULTURE

Museum of Pop Culture  
[mopop.org](http://mopop.org)

### Ongoing

#### NORTHWEST NATIVE ART

Burke Museum  
[burkemuseum.org](http://burkemuseum.org)

### Ongoing

#### BE WATER, MY FRIEND: THE TEACHINGS OF BRUCE LEE

Wing Luke Museum  
[wingluke.org](http://wingluke.org)

### Ongoing

#### MAKING A WAY: JACOB LAWRENCE

Northwest African American Museum  
[naamnw.org](http://naamnw.org)

### Ongoing

#### NW TROLLS: WAY OF THE BIRD KING

[nwtrrolls.org](http://nwtrrolls.org)

### Ongoing

#### CHIHULY GARDEN AND GLASS

[chihulygardenandglass.com](http://chihulygardenandglass.com)

### Ongoing

#### FOSSILS UNCOVERED

Burke Museum  
[burkemuseum.org](http://burkemuseum.org)

### Ongoing

#### NIRVANA: TAKING PUNK TO THE MASSES

Museum of Pop Culture  
[mopop.org](http://mopop.org)

### Through June 2

#### PULLING TOGETHER: A BRIEF HISTORY OF ROWING IN SEATTLE

Museum of History & Industry  
[mohai.org](http://mohai.org)

### Through July 7

#### ANIDA YOEU ALI: HYBRID SKIN, MYTHICAL PRESENCE

Seattle Asian Art Museum  
[seattleartmuseum.org](http://seattleartmuseum.org)

### Through July 21

#### NORDIC UTOPIA? AFRICAN AMERICANS IN THE 20TH CENTURY

National Nordic Museum  
[nordicmuseum.org](http://nordicmuseum.org)

### Through July 27

#### FRYE SALON

Frye Art Museum  
[fryemuseum.org](http://fryemuseum.org)



### Through August 4

#### CALDER: IN MOTION

Seattle Art Museum  
[calder.site.seattleartmuseum.org](http://calder.site.seattleartmuseum.org)

### Through August 11

#### HIDDEN WORLDS: THE FILMS OF LAIKA

Museum of Pop Culture  
[mopop.org](http://mopop.org)

### Through August 25

#### DALE LINDMAN: BETWEEN PLACE AND TIME

Bellevue Arts Museum  
[bellevuearts.org](http://bellevuearts.org)

### Through August 25

#### RAÚL DE NIEVES: A WINDOW TO THE SEE, A SPIRIT STAR CHIMING IN THE WIND OF WONDER...

Henry Art Gallery  
[henryart.org](http://henryart.org)

### Through September 1

#### SOFT POWER

Tacoma Art Museum  
[tacomaartmuseum.org](http://tacomaartmuseum.org)

### Through October 4

#### SOUND CHECK! THE MUSIC WE MAKE

Wing Luke Museum  
[wingluke.org](http://wingluke.org)

### Through October 27

#### A TWO-WAY MIRROR: DOUBLE CONSCIOUSNESS IN CONTEMPORARY GLASS BY BLACK ARTISTS

Museum of Glass  
[museumofglass.org](http://museumofglass.org)

## May

### May 24–27

#### NORTHWEST FOLKLOFESTIVAL

Seattle Center  
[nwfolklife.org](http://nwfolklife.org)



### May 24–October 4

#### CONCERTS AT THE FARM

Remlinger Farm, Carnation  
[stgpresents.org](http://stgpresents.org)

### May 25–September 22

#### TOWERS OF TOMORROW WITH LEGO® BRICKS

Museum of History & Industry  
[mohai.org](http://mohai.org)

### May 25–September 28

#### CHATEAU STE MICHELLE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

[ste-michelle.com](http://ste-michelle.com)

### May 30–June 16

#### VENUS & THE VIXENS

Emerald City Trapeze Arts  
[venusandthevixens.com](http://venusandthevixens.com)



### May 31–June 2

#### HONK! FEST WEST

[honkfestwest.org](http://honkfestwest.org)

### May 31–June 9

#### GEORGE BALANCHINE'S COPÉLIA

Pacific Northwest Ballet  
[pnb.org](http://pnb.org)



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Poke in the Eye: Art of the West Coast Counterculture at SAM



May 31–June 23

**JINKX MONSOON & MAJOR SCALES: TOGETHER AGAIN, AGAIN!**

Seattle Rep  
seattlerep.org

**June**

June–September (Thursdays)

**SPOTLIGHT ON THE WATERFRONT**

Pier 62  
waterfrontparkseattle.org

June 1

**SEATTLE PRIDE IN THE PARK**

Volunteer Park  
seattlepride.org



June 1 & 2

**PAGDIRIWANG PHILIPPINE FESTIVAL**

Seattle Center  
seattlecenter.com/festivals

June 7–30

**SPRING AWAKENING**

The 5th Avenue Theatre  
5thavenue.org

Opens June 8

**HOME BEYOND EARTH**

The Museum of Flight  
museumofflight.org

June 8

**GEORGETOWN CARNIVAL**

georgetownseattle.org

June 8–16

**SEATTLE INTERNATIONAL DANCE FESTIVAL**

seattleidf.org

June 15–January 5

**MARY ANN PETERS: THE EDGE BECOMES THE CENTER**

Frye Art Museum  
fryemuseum.org

June 15, July 20, August 17

**CHINATOWN INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT SUMMER FOOD WALK SERIES**

Hing Hay Park area  
seattlechinatowntid.com/experiences

June 16–August 21

**ZOOTUNES CONCERT SERIES**

Woodland Park Zoo  
zoo.org/zootunes

June 19–September 7

**MARYMOOR LIVE: SUMMER CONCERTS AT MARYMOOR PARK**

marymoorlive.com



June 25–30

**GIRL FROM THE NORTH COUNTRY**

The Paramount Theatre  
stgpresents.org; seattlebroadway.com

June 27–29

**HARRY POTTER AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS™ PART 1 IN CONCERT WITH SEATTLE SYMPHONY**

Benaroya Hall  
seattlesymphony.org

June 28–January 5

**JACOB LAWRENCE: AMERICAN STORYTELLER**

Seattle Art Museum  
seattleartmuseum.org

June 29 & 30

**SEATTLE PRIDEFEST**

Capitol Hill & Seattle Center  
seattlepridefest.org

June 29–August 4

**75TH ANNUAL SEAFAIR FESTIVAL**

Various Locations  
seafair.org

June 30

**50TH ANNUAL SEATTLE PRIDE PARADE**

Downtown Seattle  
seattlepride.org

**July**

July 1–26

**SEATTLE CHAMBER MUSIC SUMMER FESTIVAL**

Benaroya Hall  
seattlechambermusic.org

July 4

**SEAFAIR SUMMER FOURTH**

Gas Works Park and Lake Union Park  
seafair.com

July 9–21

**CLUE**

The 5th Avenue Theatre  
5thavenue.org

July 12–14

**DAY IN DAY OUT FESTIVAL**

Seattle Center  
dayindayoutfest.com

July 12–14

**WEST SEATTLE SUMMER FEST**

West Seattle Neighborhood  
westseattlesummerfest.com

July 12–14

**BALLARD SEAFOODFEST**

Ballard Neighborhood  
seafoodfest.org

July 12–14

**KIRKLAND UNCORKED**

Marina Park, Kirkland  
kirklanduncorked.com

July 12–28 (weekends)

**DAY OUT WITH THOMAS**

Northwest Railway Museum  
trainmuseum.org

July 19–21

**VASHON ISLAND STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL**

Vashon Island  
thisisvashon.com/strawberryfestival

July 19–21

**35TH ANNUAL SEAFAIR INDIAN DAYS POWWOW**

Daybreak Star Indian Cultural Center, Discovery Park  
unitedindians.org/seafairpowwow

July 19–21

**CAPITOL HILL BLOCK PARTY**

capitolhillblockparty.com

July 19–21

**BITE OF SEATTLE**

Seattle Center  
biteofseattle.com

July 23–28

**COMPANY**

The Paramount Theatre  
stgpresents.org; seattlebroadway.com

July 25–27

**TIMBER! OUTDOOR MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Carnation  
summer.timbermusicfest.com

July 25–28

**SEATTLE ART FAIR**

Lumen Field Event Center  
seattleartfair.com

July 26–28

**BAM ARTS FAIR**

Bellevue Square & Bellevue Arts Museum  
bellevuearts.org/artsfair

July 27 & 28

**URBAN CRAFT UPRISING**

Magnuson Park, Hangar 30  
urbancraftuprising.com/ucu

**August**

August 3–17

**PAGLIACCI**

Seattle Opera  
seattleopera.org

# Calendar



## August 9–11

### THING FESTIVAL

Remlinger Farms,  
Carnation  
[thingnw.org](http://thingnw.org)

## August 9–11

### BAINBRIDGE ISLAND ARTIST STUDIO TOUR

Various Locations  
[bistudiotour.com](http://bistudiotour.com)

## August 16 & 17

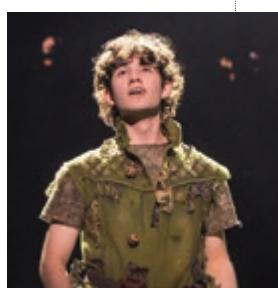
### SNOQUALMIE DAYS

Snoqualmie, WA  
[snoqualmiedays.org](http://snoqualmiedays.org)

## August 21–25

### PETER PAN

The Paramount Theatre  
[stgpresents.org](http://stgpresents.org); [seattlebroadway.com](http://seattlebroadway.com)



## August 23–25

### FESTIVAL SUNDIATA PRESENTS BLACK ARTS FEST

Seattle Center  
[seattlecenter.com/festal](http://seattlecenter.com/festal)

## August 30–September 2

### PAX WEST

Seattle Convention Center  
[west.paxsite.com](http://west.paxsite.com)

## August 30–September 22

### WASHINGTON STATE FAIR

Washington State Fair  
Events Center, Puyallup  
[thefair.com](http://thefair.com)

## August 31 & September 1

### BUMBERSHOOT MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL

Seattle Center  
[bumbershoot.com](http://bumbershoot.com)

## August 31–February 23

### ALMOST LIVE! (ALMOST AN EXHIBIT)

Museum of History & Industry  
[mohai.org](http://mohai.org)

## September

### September 7–22

#### POTUS

ACT Theatre  
[acttheatre.org](http://acttheatre.org)

### September 14 & 15

#### SEA MAR FIESTAS PATRIAS

Seattle Center  
[seattlecenter.com/festal](http://seattlecenter.com/festal)

### September 19–21

#### RAVEL & SHOSTAKOVICH

Seattle Symphony  
[seattlesymphony.org](http://seattlesymphony.org)

### September 20–22

#### FREMONT OKTOBERFEST

Fremont Neighborhood  
[fremontoktoberfest.com](http://fremontoktoberfest.com)

Architects of Air's Luminarium at Thing Festival

## September 20–29

### THE TIMES ARE RACING

Pacific Northwest Ballet  
[pnb.org](http://pnb.org)

## September 20–October 13

### AFTER MIDNIGHT

The 5th Avenue Theatre  
[5thavenue.org](http://5thavenue.org)

## September 24–29

### FUNNY GIRL

The Paramount Theatre  
[stgpresents.org](http://stgpresents.org)



## September 26–October 20

### THE SKIN OF OUR TEETH

Seattle Rep  
[seattlerep.org](http://seattlerep.org)

## September 28 & 29

#### SEATTLE ITALIAN FESTIVAL

Seattle Center  
[seattlecenter.com/festal](http://seattlecenter.com/festal)

## October

### October 8–13

#### TASVEER SOUTH ASIAN FILM FESTIVAL

[tasveerfestival.org](http://tasveerfestival.org)

### October 11–March 24

#### KEITH HARING: A RADIANT LEGACY, PRESENTED BY PAN ART CONNECTIONS

Museum of Pop Culture  
[mopop.org](http://mopop.org)

### October 12–25

#### JUBILEE-WORLD PREMIERE

Seattle Opera  
[seattleopera.org](http://seattleopera.org)



### October 17–20

#### REFRACT: THE SEATTLE GLASS EXPERIENCE

[refractseattle.org](http://refractseattle.org)

### October 17–January 19

#### JOYCE J. SCOTT: WALK A MILE IN MY DREAMS

Seattle Art Museum  
[seattleartmuseum.org](http://seattleartmuseum.org)

### October 18–November 3

#### EARSHOT JAZZ FESTIVAL

Multiple Venues  
[earshot.org](http://earshot.org)

## October 24–November 24

### PRIMARY TRUST

Seattle Rep  
[seattlerep.org](http://seattlerep.org)

### October 26 & 27

#### SEATTLE ANTIQUARIAN BOOK FAIR

Seattle Center  
[seattlebookfair.com](http://seattlebookfair.com)

### October 26 & 27

#### DI A MUERTOS

Seattle Center  
[seattlecenter.com/festal](http://seattlecenter.com/festal)

### October 27–November 9

#### SEATTLE RESTAURANT WEEK

[srweek.org](http://srweek.org)

### October 30–November 3

#### NEW WORKS NORTHWEST

ACT Theatre  
[acttheatre.org](http://acttheatre.org)

## November

### November 1–10

#### ALL BALANCHINE

Pacific Northwest Ballet  
[pnb.org](http://pnb.org)

### November 6–December 1

#### WICKED

The Paramount Theatre  
[stgpresents.org](http://stgpresents.org); [seattlebroadway.com](http://seattlebroadway.com)

### November 7–9

#### DEBUSSY LA MER

Seattle Symphony  
[seattlesymphony.org](http://seattlesymphony.org)

### November 7–10

#### FREAKOUT FESTIVAL

Ballard Neighborhood  
[the-freakout.com](http://the-freakout.com)



### November 8–27

#### CLOUDBREAK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Citywide  
[cloudbreakmusicfest.org](http://cloudbreakmusicfest.org)

*This is only a sampling of upcoming events in the greater Seattle area. Please visit our online calendar at [visitseattle.org](http://visitseattle.org) for more information.*

CLOCKWISE: CHRISTINE MITCHELL COURTESY CLOUDBREAK MUSIC FEST; MEGAN SWANN PHOTOGRAPH COURTESY REFRACT SEATTLE EVOLUTION, 1992; JOYCE J. SCOTT, AMERICAN, B. 1948, GLASS BEADS AND WIRE, 16 x 8 x 10 1/2 IN., GIFT FROM THE PORTER-PRICE COLLECTION, ON LOAN FROM THE MOBILE MUSEUM OF ART; © JOYCE SCOTT COURTESY GOYA CONTEMPORARY; PHOTO: THIGPEN PHOTOGRAPHY; COURTESY SEATTLE THEATRE GROUP

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The city's vibrant core is where you'll find iconic attractions and celebrated restaurants and shops.

**Explore** For eye-popping vistas of the surrounding mountains and waters, head to the 73rd-floor **Sky View Observatory** (★700 Fourth Ave; [skyviewobservatory.com](http://skyviewobservatory.com)). Art aficionados appreciate the superb collections of Native American, Australian Aboriginal, Islamic, classical European art, and more at the **Seattle Art Museum** (★1300 First Ave; [seattleartmuseum.org](http://seattleartmuseum.org)).

**Eat and Drink** Among the many enticing eateries at Pike Place Market, **Le Pichet** (1933 First Ave; [lepichetseattle.com](http://lepichetseattle.com)) stands out for its cozy French bistro vibe and signature roasted free-range chicken, and **Sugo Hand Roll Bar** (2001 Western Ave; [sugohandroll.com](http://sugohandroll.com)) is a must for craft sake cocktails and tasty rolls packed with king salmon, snow crab, and bay scallops. Plant-filled **Lonely Siren** (1501 Pike Pl; [lonelysiren.com](http://lonelysiren.com)) serves delicious Portuguese food, like clams steamed in garlic and vinho verde wine and salt-cod croquettes with olive tartar sauce. Other spots include **Pike Place Chowder** (★1530 Post Alley; [pikeplacechowder.com](http://pikeplacechowder.com)), **Seattle Dumpling Company** (1916 Pike Pl; [seattledumplingco.com](http://seattledumplingco.com)), and **Bottega Italiana** (1425 First Ave; [bottegaitaliana.com](http://bottegaitaliana.com)) for a bowl or cone of authentic artisanal gelato—try the nutty combination of pistachio and chocolate-hazelnut in a waffle cone. Savor a stout or juicy IPA at **Pike Brewing Company** (★1415 First Ave; [pikebrewing.com](http://pikebrewing.com)) and refreshing (try the dark maple or honey-pear) ciders at **Locust Cider Marketplace** (2003 Western Ave; [locustcider.com](http://locustcider.com)). Elsewhere downtown, **Skalka** (77 Spring St; [skalkaseattle.com](http://skalkaseattle.com)) serves up mouthwatering Eastern European khachapuri “bread boats” for breakfast, and **Von's 1000 Spirits** (1225 First Ave; [vons1000spirits.com](http://vons1000spirits.com)) offers an encyclopedic selection of cocktails to accompany its wood-fired pizzas and sourdough-bread sandwiches.

**Shop** At historic **Pike Place Market** (★85 Pike St; [pikeplace-market.org](http://pikeplace-market.org)), more than 500 stalls carry every imaginable item, from specialty foods to used books. Favorites include **Golden Age Collectibles** (1501 Pike St; [goldenagecollectibles.com](http://goldenagecollectibles.com)) for vintage comics and action figures, **Ugly Baby** (1430 Western Ave; [uglybaby.shop](http://uglybaby.shop)) for irreverent art and souvenirs, and **Milagros Mexican Folk Art** (1409 First Ave; [milagros-seattle.com](http://milagros-seattle.com)). Shop for the latest fashions at the flagship location of **Nordstrom** (★500 Pine St; [nordstrom.com](http://nordstrom.com)), founded in Seattle in 1901. **Jamie Slye Hats** (1322 Fifth Ave; [jamieslye.com](http://jamieslye.com)) crafts stylish wide-brim wool fedoras, straw sun hats, and custom headwear designed to both look amazing and protect you from the elements. Check out the astounding selection of top-quality shoes at **Brick + Mortar** (1210 Fourth Ave; [brickmortarSeattle.com](http://brickmortarSeattle.com)) and the beautifully curated housewares and bath products at **Watson Kennedy Fine Home** (1022 First Ave; [watsonkennedy.com](http://watsonkennedy.com)).



Pike Place Market



# Waterfront

Explore the family-friendly attractions and seafood restaurants of this newly redeveloped district.

**Explore** Say hello to sea otters, wave at harbor seals, and watch jellyfish float by at the **Seattle Aquarium** (★1483 Alaskan Way; [seattleaquarium.org](http://seattleaquarium.org)), which works to preserve and protect local marine life through education and conservation, and don't miss the aquarium's spectacular new Ocean Pavilion, which is slated to open by late summer. Then ride **The Seattle Great Wheel** (★1301 Alaskan Way; [seattlegreatwheel.com](http://seattlegreatwheel.com)) to heights of 175 feet for a seagull's-eye view of the Sound, the downtown skyline, and the Olympic Mountains in the distance. From the neighborhood's bustling piers, you can embark on a thrilling excursion around scenic Puget Sound—consider a sunset sail with **Sailing Seattle** (★1201 Alaskan Way; [sailingseattle.com](http://sailingseattle.com)) or a narrated catamaran tour with **Salish Sea Tours** (★1301 Alaskan Way; [salishseatours.com](http://salishseatours.com)).

**Eat and Drink** It's appropriate that Seattle's colorful waterfront boasts several acclaimed seafood restaurants, among them **Elliott's Oyster House** (★1201 Alaskan Way; [elliottsoysterhouse.com](http://elliottsoysterhouse.com)), a fixture on Pier 56 for more than half a century; **Anthony's Pier 66** (★2201 Alaskan Way; [anthony's.com](http://anthony's.com)), which is acclaimed for its Dungeness crab-and-corn chowder and flavorful king salmon entrees; and sophisticated **Six Seven Restaurant** (★2411 Alaskan Way, Pier 67; [edgewaterhotel.com](http://edgewaterhotel.com)), with its dazzling views. For a hearty breakfast, head to airy **Café Opla** (2200 Alaskan Way; [cafeopla.com](http://cafeopla.com)), which specializes in Vietnamese, Hawaiian, and Filipino breakfast skillet. On Pier 54, the Seattle-based chainlet **Great State Burger** (1001 Alaskan Way; [greatstateburger.com](http://greatstateburger.com)) serves up juicy cheeseburgers and vegan patties along with organic malted milkshakes.

The Seattle Great Wheel



**Shop** Pick up the perfect local souvenir at **Simply Seattle** (★1001 Alaskan Way; [simplyseattle.com](http://simplyseattle.com)), where shelves are stocked with everything from Seattle-themed sweaters and totes to mugs and sports gear. You'll find a whimsical array of novelties and toys at **Pirate's Plunder** (Pier 57, 1301 Alaskan Way; [piratesplunderseattle.com](http://piratesplunderseattle.com)), which is part of the family-friendly Miner's Landing amusement center. **Seattle Shop at 56** (1201 Alaskan Way; [theseattleshop.com](http://theseattleshop.com)) carries vintage sports jerseys and *Grey's Anatomy* apparel along with colorful magnets, stickers, and postcards.

# Belltown

This lively neighborhood is filled with trendy cafes, legendary nightclubs, and hip boutiques and galleries.

**Explore** Stroll among 20 contemporary art installations at **Olympic Sculpture Park** (★2901 Western Ave; [seattleartmuseum.org](http://seattleartmuseum.org))—nine acres of greenery overlooking Elliott Bay. Watch artisans create one-of-a-kind works at the **Seattle Glassblowing Studio** (★2227 Fifth Ave; [seattleglassblowing.com](http://seattleglassblowing.com)), and view thought-provoking performance art and rotating exhibits at **Base Camp Studios** (2407 First Ave; [basecamp206.com](http://basecamp206.com)). Catch a show at one the storied entertainment venues, such as **The Crocodile** (★2505 First Ave; [thecrocodile.com](http://thecrocodile.com)) music club or the historic **Moore Theatre** (★1932 Second Ave; [stgpresents.org](http://stgpresents.org)). The newly restored **SIFF Cinema Downtown** (★2100 Fourth Ave; [siff.net](http://siff.net)), formerly the Seattle Cinerama, presents arthouse movies in a striking mid-century modern building.

**Eat and Drink** **Serious Pie** (★2001 Fourth Ave; [seriouspieseattle.com](http://seriouspieseattle.com)) serves up seriously delicious pizzas—try the one with Penn Cove

clams, pancetta, and chile flakes. Well-crafted comfort fare is the draw at **Black Bottle Gastrotavern** (2600 First Ave; [blackbottleseattle.com](http://blackbottleseattle.com)), while boldly decorated **Bangrak Market** (2319 Second Ave; [bangrakmarket.com](http://bangrakmarket.com)) stands out for Thai-style street food. Cool off on a warm day with a raspberry iced mocha at **Fulcrum Coffee Café** (590 Bell St; [fulcrumcoffee.com](http://fulcrumcoffee.com)), and savor a slice of asparagus-prosciutto quiche or a flaky kouign-amann at **La Parisienne French Bakery** (2507 Fourth Ave; [laparisienneseattle.com](http://laparisienneseattle.com)). Speakeasy-inspired **Bathtub Gin & Co.** (2205 Second Ave; [bathtubginseattle.com](http://bathtubginseattle.com)) pours Prohibition-era cocktails, and cozy **Cloudburst Brewing** (2116 Western Ave; [cloudburstbrew.com](http://cloudburstbrew.com)) is an esteemed craft beer maker.

**Shop** Pick up a memorable gift—maybe a 19th-century Japanese Noh mask or luxurious Meg Cohen cashmere scarf—at **Orcas Paley** (1914 Second Ave; [orcaspaley.com](http://orcaspaley.com)). You'll find ethically sourced gems and high-vibration stones at **Crystal Lounge by Crystallography Gems** (2008 First Ave; [crystallographygems.com](http://crystallographygems.com)). Since the mid-'90s, **Singles Going Steady** (2219 Second Ave; [instagram.com/singlesgoingsteadyrecords](http://singlesgoingsteadyrecords.com)) has stocked vintage vinyl, CDs, and concert memorabilia.





# Queen Anne



This expansive, hilly neighborhood contains iconic attractions as well as historic residential streets, leafy parks, and distinctive shops and eateries.

**Explore** At the foot of Queen Anne Hill in Uptown, **Seattle Center** (★305 Harrison St; [seattlecenter.com](http://seattlecenter.com)) is packed with exciting attractions and activities, including colorful **Chihuly Garden and Glass** (★305 Harrison St; [chihulygardenandglass.com](http://chihulygardenandglass.com)); the thought-provoking **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Discovery Center** (★440 Fifth Ave; [discovergates.org](http://discovergates.org)), and state-of-the-art **Climate Pledge Arena** (★334 First Ave N; [climatepledgearena.com](http://climatepledgearena.com)), home of the Seattle Kraken and Seattle Storm. Bracketing the neighborhood, **Northeast Queen Anne Greenbelt** (Fifth Ave N at Lynn St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) and **Southwest Queen Anne Greenbelt** (12th Ave W and W Howe St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) are enjoyable places for strolls and great views of Lake Union or Puget Sound.

**Eat and Drink** Dine on refined modern Mediterranean cooking of noted chef Ethan Stowell at **How to Cook a Wolf** (2208 Queen Anne Ave N; [ethanstowellrestaurants.com](http://ethanstowellrestaurants.com)). Around the corner, enjoy the people-watching

and hearty breakfasts (try the chicken and waffles) at **5 Spot** (1502 Queen Anne Ave N; [5spotseattle.com](http://5spotseattle.com)), and savory Japanese sandwiches and rice bowls at **Koku Cafe + Market** (1417 Queen Anne Ave N; [kokucafemarket.com](http://kokucafemarket.com)). A short stroll from Seattle Center, **Paju** (11 Mercer St; [pajurestaurant.com](http://pajurestaurant.com)) serves delicious modern Korean food, **Sal y Limón** (10 Mercer St; [salylimonseattle.com](http://salylimonseattle.com)) is a festive spot for creative mezcal and tequila drinks and tasty Mexican dishes, and **COBÁ Viet Kitchen & Ales** (530 First Ave N; [cobaseattle.com](http://cobaseattle.com)) serves savory porridges and phos.

**Shop** Pick up puzzles, models, and stickers at **Spacebase Gift Shop** (400 Broad St; [space-needle.myshopify.com](http://space-needle.myshopify.com)) to commemorate your visit to the Space Needle. The inviting **Meadow** (1959 Sixth Ave W; [meadowattle.com](http://meadowattle.com)) boutique carries summer dresses, kitchen accessories, and bath products, while **Queen Anne Book Company** (1811 Queen Anne Ave N; [qabookco.com](http://qabookco.com)) has been fulfilling Seattle's literary needs for over a decade.

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# Pioneer Square

Explore the historic streets, acclaimed art galleries, and lively bars and restaurants of Seattle's oldest neighborhood.

**Explore** Make your way to the bustling waterfront on Elliott Bay to unwind or enjoy a picnic at beautiful and newly developed **Pioneer Square Habitat Beach** (Washington Street Public Boat Landing, 199 Alaskan Way; [waterfrontparkseattle.org](http://waterfrontparkseattle.org)). Walk a couple of blocks inland to immerse yourself in the neighborhood's rich heritage at **Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park** (★319 Second Ave S; [nps.gov/klse](http://nps.gov/klse)), which chronicles the nearly overnight transformation the city underwent in 1897, when thousands of hopefuls passed through on their way to seeking fortunes in the Yukon. Then take the gilded elevator to the 35th-floor Observatory Bar at **Smith Tower** (★506 Second Ave; [smithtower.com](http://smithtower.com)); it was the tallest skyscraper west of the Mississippi when it opened in 1914. For a moment of respite, stop by tucked-away **Waterfall Garden Park** (219 Second Ave S; [pioneersquare.org](http://pioneersquare.org)), where a 22-foot

cascade commemorates the birthplace of UPS, founded in Seattle in 1907.

**Eat and Drink** Appealing spots for fueling up early in the day include high-ceilinged **Zeitgeist Coffee** (171 S Jackson St; [zeitgeistcoffee.com](http://zeitgeistcoffee.com)), with its premium espressos and teas as well as tasty breakfast sandwiches, and **13 Coins** (★255 S King St; [13coins.com](http://13coins.com)), which serves stick-to-your-ribs fare like chicken-fried steaks and eggs and mixed-berry Belgian waffles. Later in the day, belly up to the underground bar at **Underbelly** (119 First Ave S; [underbellyofseattle.com](http://underbellyofseattle.com)) for a Sazerac cocktail before crossing the street to dine on creative gastropub fare at **Damn the Weather** (116 First Ave S; [damntheweather.com](http://damntheweather.com)), inside the historic Delmar Building. The wine bar at **Browne Family Vineyards** (★413 First Ave S; [brownefamilyvineyards.com](http://brownefamilyvineyards.com)) is a sophisticated spot for sampling the

Walla Walla-based vintner's exceptional malbecs and syrahs. Notable dinner options include **Il Terrazzo Carmine** (411 First Ave S; [ilterrazzocarmine.com](http://ilterrazzocarmine.com)), with its extensive menu of traditional pastas and Italian-style steak and seafood; elegant **Nirmal's** (106 Occidental Ave S; [nirmalSeattle.com](http://nirmalSeattle.com)) for sublime, Mumbai-style Indian cuisine; and bustling **SuperKim Crab House** (166 King St; [superkimcrabhouse.com](http://superkimcrabhouse.com)), which specializes in Asian-Cajun-style seafood boils and chicken wings with a variety of sauces.

**Shop** Scour the colorful racks in search of old-school fashion treasures and unique accessories at **The Lemon Grove** (165 S Jackson St; [thelemongrove.co](http://thelemongrove.co)) and **Bon Voyage Vintage** (110 S Washington St; [bonvoyagevintage.myshopify.com](http://bonvoyagevintage.myshopify.com)). You'll find newer threads, from revered labels like Leur Logette and Extreme Cashmere, at **Flora and Henri** (401 First Ave S; [florahenri.com](http://florahenri.com)), whose in-house line also has a devoted following. The artisanal truffles and hot cocoa produced by **Intrigue Chocolate** (★157 S Jackson St; [intriguechocolate.com](http://intriguechocolate.com)) make truly intriguing gifts.



Smith Tower



Museum of History & Industry

## South Lake Union

The center of Seattle's tech industry abounds with first-rate restaurants and cool cultural and recreational draws along a beautiful lakeshore.

**Explore** As you approach this dynamic neighborhood from downtown, stop to admire the three glass domes of Amazon's eye-catching **Seattle Spheres** (2111 Seventh Ave; [seattlespheres.com](http://seattlespheres.com)), which contain "living walls" with an incredible array of flora from more than 30 countries. A few blocks north, walk among the rhododendrons and azaleas of leafy **Denny Park** (100 Dexter Ave N; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), which boasts an expansive kids' playground and a popular dog park. Along the shores of rippling Lake Union, you can visit superb attractions relating to Seattle's rich maritime heritage: **The Center for Wooden Boats** (★1010 Valley St; [cwb.org](http://cwb.org)) and the **Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI)** (★860 Terry Ave N; [mohai.org](http://mohai.org)), whose engaging exhibits also celebrate Seattle's legacy as a hub of innovation and commerce.

**Eat and Drink** With charmed settings on the waterfront, **Duke's Seafood** (1111 Fairview Ave N; [dukessafood.com](http://dukessafood.com)) and **White Swan Public House** (1001 Fairview Ave N; [whiteswan-publichouse.com](http://whiteswan-publichouse.com)) offer outdoor seating, creative cocktails, and freshly prepared seafood. For an aerial view of the lake, take the elevator to **mbar** (★400 Fairview Ave N; [nadimama.com/mbar](http://nadimama.com/mbar)) to enjoy sweeping city and water vistas from the 14th-floor terrace and memorable Medi-



terranean–Middle Eastern dishes like green-chickpea hummus and grilled trout with brown butter. Back at street level, sleek **Tanoor Seattle** (803 Dexter Ave N; [tanoor.com](http://tanoor.com)) specializes in contemporary Lebanese food, and **Jack's BBQ** (228 Ninth Ave N; [jacksbbq.com](http://jacksbbq.com)) serves tender, slow-cooked brisket and chocolate buttermilk pie. Pop inside **203 Fahrenheit Coffee** (610 Terry Ave N; [203degreesfahrenheit.coffee](http://203degreesfahrenheit.coffee)) for a creamy Madagascar vanilla latte, **Fresh Flours** (432 Eighth Ave N; [freshfloursseattle.com](http://freshfloursseattle.com)) to nosh on fluffy biscuits and azuki croissants filled with red bean pastry cream, and **Lady Yum** (★2130 Sixth Ave; [ladyyum.com](http://ladyyum.com)) to snack on colorful salted caramel and honey-lavender macarons.

**Shop** REI's (★222 Yale Ave N; [rei.com](http://rei.com)) flagship store, with its enormous climbing wall and an in-house hiking-biking loop for testing gear, has everything you could possibly need to plan your next outdoor adventure. Nearby **Feathered Friends** (263 Yale Ave N; [featheredfriends.com](http://featheredfriends.com)) is another excellent source for recreational and camping gear. Pick up signature apparel and LPs at beloved **Sub Pop Records** (2130 Seventh Ave; [subpop.com](http://subpop.com)), and shutterbugs can find both old-school and cutting-edge technology at **Glazer's Camera** (811 Republican St; [glazercamera.com](http://glazercamera.com)).

Pho Bac  
Sup Shop

# Chinatown-International District

Walk through one of the nation's oldest and most vibrant Asian-American neighborhoods while exploring authentic restaurants and exceptional galleries.



**Explore** After passing through the **Historic Chinatown Gate** (504 Fifth Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), an ornate 45-foot-tall structure made from some 8,000 imported ceramic Chinese tiles, continue along lively King Street to the superb **Wing Luke Museum** (★719 S King St; [wingluke.org](http://wingluke.org)), with its outstanding exhibits and galleries and themed walking tours. Savor a cup of tea at the **Panama Hotel and Tea House** (605–607 S Main St; [panamahotelseattle.net](http://panamahotelseattle.net)), which dates to 1911 and contains photos and memorabilia as well as the nation's last Japanese-style public bathhouse. **Kobe Terrace** (650 S Main St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) is a beautiful Japanese garden with a stone lantern from Kobe, which is a sister city of Seattle.

**Eat and Drink** In this historic district, **Maneki** (304 Sixth Ave S; [manekiseattle.com](http://manekiseattle.com)) and **Tai Tung** (655 S King St; [taitungrestaurant.com](http://taitungrestaurant.com)) are the city's oldest Japanese and Chinese restaurants, respectively. But you'll also find **Kilig** (710 Eighth Ave S; [kiligseattle.com](http://kiligseattle.com)), the new Filipino

restaurant from James Beard-nominated chef Melissa Miranda (of Musang fame). In Little Saigon, **Pho Bac Sup Shop** (1240 S Jackson St; [thephobac.com](http://thephobac.com)) draws raves for its flavorful noodle soups; **Saigon Vietnam Deli** (1200 S Jackson St; [saigonvndeli.com](http://saigonvndeli.com)) serves hearty bánh mì sandwiches; and **Tamarind Tree** (1036 S Jackson St; [tamarindtreerestaurant.com](http://tamarindtreerestaurant.com)) turns out delicious Vietnamese lettuce rolls, rice dishes, and cocktails.

**Shop** Browse incredibly vast **Uwajimaya** (★600 Fifth Ave S; [uwajimaya.com](http://uwajimaya.com)), an iconic Asian supermarket with foods, gifts, and housewares, and the well-stocked book, movie, and music store **Kinokuniya** (525 S Weller St; [usa.kinokuniya.com](http://usa.kinokuniya.com)). Check out the hip-hop-influenced caps, streetwear (both new and vintage), body products, and candles at **Trichome** (618 S Jackson St; [trichomesattle.com](http://trichomesattle.com)). **Sun May Co** (5 Canton Alley S), the neighborhood's oldest Chinese gift shop, opened in 1911 and carries imported bowls, tea sets, cards, decorative boxes, and other treasures.



# Capitol Hill

Brimming with hip bars, well-curated boutiques, and buzzy restaurants, this diverse hub of Seattle's LGBTQIA+ community welcomes all.

**Explore** Two lovely green spaces—**Cal Anderson Park** (1635 11th Ave; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) and larger **Volunteer Park** (1247 15th Ave E; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks))—feature striking public art installations and plenty of places to relax. In addition to its bustling LGBTQIA+ nightlife—including bars like **Union Seattle** (1009 E Union St; [unionseattle.com](http://unionseattle.com)) and **The Cuff Complex** (1533 13th Ave; [cuffcomplex.com](http://cuffcomplex.com))—the neighborhood has acclaimed live music spots such as **Neumos** (925 E Pike St; [neumos.com](http://neumos.com)), which presents everything from punk to country, and **Chop Suey** (1325 E Madison St; [chopsuey.com](http://chopsuey.com)), where hip-hop and rock bands perform.

**Eat and Drink** Romantic **Spinasse** (1531 14th Ave; [spinasse.com](http://spinasse.com)) turns out ethereal Italian dishes, while modern Vietnamese restaurant **Ramie** (1529 14th Ave; [ramieseattle.com](http://ramieseattle.com)) is the latest offering from acclaimed sibling chefs Trinh and Thai Nguyen of Bainbridge Island's popular Ba Sa. Sup on flavorful West African dishes—like goat peanut soup—at **Gold Ghost Ghal Kitchen** (1009 Boren Ave; [goldcoastghal.com](http://goldcoastghal.com)). Capitol Hill is a hub of modern Asian cuisine: choose the creative omakase menu at **Ltd Edition Sushi** (1641 Nagle Pl; [ltdeditionsushi.com](http://ltdeditionsushi.com)) and dine on fine Vietnamese fare at **Xom** (1424 11th Ave; [xomcapitalhill.com](http://xomcapitalhill.com)). Don't miss the signature Lao burger at **Taurus Ox** (903 19th Ave E; [taurusox.com](http://taurusox.com)) or the delectable Indian street food at **Spice Waala** (340 15th Ave E; [spicewaala.com](http://spicewaala.com)).

**Shop** You'll find beautiful gifts, art, and clothing produced by both Japanese and local artisans at **Kobo Shop and Gallery** (814 E Roy St; [koboseattle.com](http://koboseattle.com)), while industrial-chic **Glasswing Shop** (1525 Melrose Ave; [glasswingshop.com](http://glasswingshop.com)) carries urbane threads from brands like Evan Kinori and Stutterheim, along with contemporary planters and tableware. **Late Night Vintage Market** (517 E Pike St; [latenightvintagemarket.com](http://latenightvintagemarket.com)) stocks bygone treasures and retro-cool fashion; and **Elliott Bay Book Company** (1521 10th Ave; [elliottbaybook.com](http://elliottbaybook.com)) is one of the country's most beloved independent booksellers.

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## Ballard

Convivial bars, hip restaurants, and smartly curated boutiques are the hallmarks of this bustling waterfront neighborhood with a rich seafaring and Scandinavian heritage.

**Explore** Set in a striking contemporary building, the **National Nordic Museum** (★2655 NW Market St; [nordicmuseum.org](http://nordicmuseum.org)) contains compelling exhibits that celebrate the area's rich Scandinavian heritage. Nearby, watch ships use the massive "boat elevator" to pass through the **Ballard Locks** (3015 NW 54th St; [ballardlocks.org](http://ballardlocks.org)) before strolling through the adjacent botanical garden. On Ballard's west edge, **Golden Gardens Park** (8498 Seaview Pl NW; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) offers incomparable Puget Sound views, idyllic beaches, and leafy walking trails.

**Eat and Drink** Start your day at **Old Salt** (6309 24th Ave NW; [oldsaltseattle.com](http://oldsaltseattle.com)) with a perfectly made black sesame–Aleppo pepper bagel topped with lox or smoked cod, while **Stumbletown** (6256 Third Ave NW; [stumbletownballard.com](http://stumbletownballard.com)) is a great choice for heavenly Italian-style sandwiches. Esteemed favorites for seasonal, locally sourced cuisine that reflects the bounty of the Pacific Northwest include **The Walrus & the Carpenter** (4743 Ballard Ave NW; [thewalrusbar.com](http://thewalrusbar.com)) and **Brimmer & Heeltap** (425 NW Market St; [brimmerandheeltap.com](http://brimmerandheeltap.com)), with its lush garden and firepit—note the stellar onsite wine shop. **Baker's** (6408 32nd Ave NW; [bakersseattle.com](http://bakersseattle.com)) is an intimate cocktail bar that also serves tasty tapas, stylish **Cafe Munir** (2408 NW 80th St; [instagram.com/cafemunirseattle](http://instagram.com/cafemunirseattle)) turns out delicious elevated Lebanese fare, and **Sunny Hill** (3127 NW 85th St;



[sunnyhillseattle.com](http://sunnyhillseattle.com)) is beloved for its prodigious pizzas and a fantastic baked ricotta gnocchi plate. Try the Knives Out rum and passionfruit cocktail before tucking into creatively prepared Indian cuisine at hip **Rupee Bar** (6307 24th Ave NW; [rupeeseattle.com](http://rupeeseattle.com)). More than an excellent bottle shop, **Ballard Beer Box** (2446 NW Market St; [ballardbeerbox.com](http://ballardbeerbox.com)) also serves seriously delicious pizzas, including an Indian-inspired pie topped with curry tikka masala and marinated paneer. Other welcoming nightspots of note include **McLeod's Scottish Pub** (5200 Ballard Ave NW; [macleodsballard.com](http://macleodsballard.com)) and **Percy's & Co.** (5233 Ballard Ave NW; [percyssseattle.com](http://percyssseattle.com)).

**Shop** You'll find an array of boutiques stocked with gorgeous, often hand-crafted, goods in the heart of the neighborhood, including **Baleen** (6418 20th Ave NW; [shopbaleen.com](http://shopbaleen.com)), with its beautiful and sustainably designed jewelry; **Prism** (5208 Ballard Ave NW; [prismseattle.com](http://prismseattle.com)), which carries artful candleholders and glassware as well as thoughtfully designed apparel; and **Lucca** (5332 Ballard Ave NW; [luccagreatfinds.com](http://luccagreatfinds.com)), with its line of in-house greeting cards, plus bath and body products, incense and candles, and offbeat gifts. Search for more great finds at the fashion-forward clothiers **Horseshoe** (5344 Ballard Ave NW; [shophorseshoe.com](http://shophorseshoe.com)) and **September** (5410 22nd Ave NW; [septembertheshop.com](http://septembertheshop.com)).



Viking ship at the National Nordic Museum



Fremont Bridge

# Fremont/Wallingford

Popular with artists, students, and young professionals, these friendly, bohemian neighborhoods on the north side of the Ship Canal blend fabulous food with distinctive retail.



Fremont Troll

**Explore** No trip to these neighborhoods is complete without paying a visit to the endearing **Fremont Troll** (N 36th St), who resides beneath the Aurora Bridge and next to **Troll's Knoll Park** (820 N 36th St; seattle.gov/parks), which is also home to the delightful **Moss Turtle**—an interactive sculpture. A scenic stretch of the **Burke-Gilman Trail** (seattle.gov/parks) runs along the Ship Canal and leads to **Gas Works Park** (2101 N Northlake Way; seattle.gov/parks), which offers a stupendous view of Lake Union and downtown. In the evening, check out the local music scene at hot spots like **Nectar Lounge** (412 N 36th St; nectarlounge.com) and **High Dive** (513 N 36th St; highdiveattle.com).

**Eat and Drink** Fremont pops with fantastic eateries. On **Tivoli's** (730 N 34th St, Seattle; tivoliattle.com) expansive patio, share creative pizzas and Italian-inspired small plates. Stylish **Hamdi** (4012 Leary Way NW; hamdiseattle.com) serves beautifully presented contemporary

Turkish dishes. Other favorites include the romantic French bistro **Le Coin** (4201 Fremont Ave N; lecoinseattle.com) and casual **Uneeda Burger** (4302 Fremont Ave N; uneedaburger.com), known for locally sourced beef and veggie patties and decadent milkshakes in creative flavors. Savor the Creole-style Dungeness crab cakes during brunch in the airy dining room of **Rock-Creek Seafood & Spirits** (★4300 Fremont Ave N; rockcreekseattle.com). Wallingford's **Paper Cake** (4106 Stone Way N; paper-cakeshop.com) dessert cafe is a delicious collaboration between renowned pastry chef Gabby Park and Rachel Yang, chef of the contemporary Korean restaurants **Revel** (401 N 36th St; revelattle.com) and **Joule** (3506 Stone Way N; joulerestaurant.com). Nearby **Aroom Coffee** (3801 Stone Way N; aroomcoffee.com) offers outstanding espresso drinks. Head to **Atoma** (1411 N 45th St; atomaseattle.com) for sublime New American cuisine and **Dumpling The Noodle** (1723 N 45th St; dumplingthenoodle.com) for sensational sweet-chili fried

chicken and other Asian delights. Both **Irwin's Neighborhood Bakery and Cafe** (2123 N 40th St; irwinsbakeryseattle.com) and **The Octopus Bar** (2121 N 45th St; theoctopusbar.com) capture Wallingford's quirky and welcoming personality.

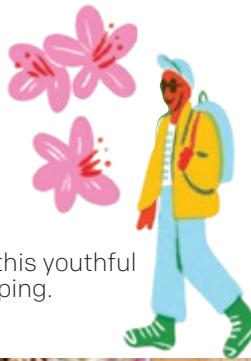
**Shop** On Sundays, shop for arts and crafts at the expansive **Fremont Sunday Street Market** (3401 Evanston Ave N; fremontmarket.com). Nearby, **Fremont Vintage Mall** (3419 Fremont Ave N; fremontvintagemall.com) is a trove of funky finds from yesteryear. Buy and learn to play a new musical instrument at **Dusty Strings Music** (3406 Fremont Ave N; store.dustystrings.com), which carries a wide array of guitars and banjos and also offers lessons. **Laughing Elephant** (3645 Interlake Ave N; laughingelephant.com) stocks beautiful stationery and paper goods and **Pacific Northwest Shop** (4411 Wallingford Ave N; pacificnorthwestshop.com) is a source of cool locally produced gifts and specialty foods.

# UDistrict

Anchored by the University of Washington's leafy campus, this youthful neighborhood offers international dining and eclectic shopping.

**Explore** Two highlights of visiting U-Dub's verdant campus are exploring the amazing collections of fossils, Northwest Indigenous art, and cultural artifacts at the beautifully designed **Burke Museum** (★4303 Memorial Way NE; [burkemuseum.org](http://burkemuseum.org)) and viewing the impressive contemporary art collection at the **Henry Art Gallery** (★15th Ave NE & NE 41st St; [henryart.org](http://henryart.org)). For a relaxing walk or a pleasant picnic amid lush greenery, head to peaceful **Ravenna Park** (5520 Ravenna Ave NE; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)).

**Eat and Drink** In a romantic storefront space, **Pancita** (5501 30th Ave NE; [pairseattle.com](http://pairseattle.com)) serves artful modern Mexican fare, while longtime favorites **Taste of India** (5517 Roosevelt Way NE; [tasteofindiaseattle.com](http://tasteofindiaseattle.com)) and **Thai Tom** (4543 University Way NE; [thaitomseattle.com](http://thaitomseattle.com)) continue to polish U District's



reputation for authentic, affordable international fare. **Xi'an Noodles** (5259 University Way NE; [xiannoodles.com](http://xiannoodles.com)) draws legions of fans for savory biang biang noodles, and **Korean Tofu House** (4142 Brooklyn Ave NE; [koreantofuhouse.com](http://koreantofuhouse.com)) serves richly complex soft tofu soup and flavorful barbecue. Inside the Burke Museum, **Off the Rez** (4300 15th Ave NE; [offthereztruck.com](http://offthereztruck.com)) serves Native American specialties like fry bread tacos and braised bison wild rice bowls.

**Shop** University Village (★2623 NE University Village St; [uvillage.com](http://uvillage.com)) is home to dozens of nationally known upscale retailers as well as fine independent shops like **Allbirds** ([allbirds.com](http://allbirds.com)), which carries eco-friendly apparel, and **Ravenna Gardens** ([ravennagardens.com](http://ravennagardens.com)), a beautiful nursery stocked with books, planters, and garden gear. In the heart of the neighborhood, hunt for cool Asian-imported gifts and treasures at **Shiga's Import Shop** (4306 University Way NE; [shigasimports.com](http://shigasimports.com)) and literary works at well-stocked **Magus Bookstore** (1408 NE 42nd St; [magusbooksseattle.com](http://magusbooksseattle.com)).



# Green Lake/ Phinney Ridge/ Greenwood

These easygoing, tree-filled neighborhoods brim with emerald parks, indie shops, and inviting eateries.

**Explore** You can see more than 1,000 animals from around the world as you explore the shaded paths and beautifully designed habitats at **Woodland Park Zoo** (★5500 Phinney Ave N; [zoo.org](http://zoo.org)). Don't miss the free 2.5-acre Woodland Park Rose Garden, by the zoo's south entrance. The famed Olmsted Brothers architectural firm is behind the gorgeous layout of historic **Woodland Park** (1000 N 50th St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)). Encircled by a 2.8-mile jogging and biking trail, **Green Lake Park** (7201 E Green Lake Dr N; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) has a sandy beach, boat rentals, and playing fields.

**Eat and Drink** Layers Green Lake (7900 East Green Lake Dr N; [layersgreenlake.com](http://layersgreenlake.com)) earns raves and smiles for its amusingly named sandwiches (for example, "I'd date a Jalapeño"), and nearby newcomer **Wooden City** (7110 East Green Lake Dr N; [woodencity-tavern.com](http://woodencity-tavern.com)) serves creative pizzas and gastropub favorites. Relax on the beautiful patio at the festive Caribbean restaurant **Bongos** (6501 Aurora Ave N; [bongosseattle.com](http://bongosseattle.com)), enjoy artisan pastries and sandwiches at **Ben's Bread** (216 N 70th St; [bensbread.com](http://bensbread.com)), and savor superb modern Italian cooking at celeb chef Renee Erickson's new wine-focused bistro, **Lioness** (7009 Greenwood Ave N; [lionessseattle.com](http://lionessseattle.com)). **North Star Diner** (8580 Greenwood Ave N; [northstardiner.com](http://northstardiner.com)) serves classic breakfast fare and **The Yard Cafe** (8313 Greenwood Ave N; [theyardcafe.com](http://theyardcafe.com)) is your go-to for craft beer on tap.

**Shop** Exquisite Kyoto-style sweets are the specialty of **Tokara** (6208 Phinney Ave N; [tokaragashi.com](http://tokaragashi.com)). **Baraka Gems** (8218 Greenwood Ave N; [barakagems.com](http://barakagems.com)) donates a portion of profits from its beautiful custom and estate jewelry to A Ring of Hope Orphanage in Kenya. Head to **Couth Buzzard Books** (8310 Greenwood Ave N; [buonobuzzard.com](http://buonobuzzard.com)) to select your next read and **Beats and Bohos** (7200 Greenwood Ave N; [instagram.com/beatsandbohosvintage](http://instagram.com/beatsandbohosvintage)) for vinyl LPs and retro fashion. Pick up running shoes and gear for your adventures in Green Lake at **Super Jock & Jill** (7210 East Green Lake Dr N; [superjocknjill.com](http://superjocknjill.com)).



Alki Beach



Alki Point Lighthouse

# West Seattle

A stunning beachfront, water views, and locally owned businesses make Seattle's largest neighborhood a favorite among all ages and styles.

**Explore Alki Beach** (2665 Alki Ave SW; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), with its bewitching location along Elliott Bay, is perfect for sunbathing, picnicking, barbecuing, and swimming. There's even a working 1913 lighthouse—starting in late May, you can take a tour and climb the tower stairs. Nearby, take a walk through the early 1900s **Log House Museum** (3003 61st Ave SW; [loghousemuseum.org](http://loghousemuseum.org)) and view exhibits about the West Seattle peninsula. Lovely **Seacrest Park** (1660 Harbor Ave SW; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) is where you can catch the water taxi to downtown Seattle, while verdant 135-acre **Lincoln Park** (8011 Fauntleroy Way SW; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) offers a saltwater pool, playgrounds, and a beachside path with knockout panoramas of the Olympic Mountains.

**Eat and Drink** Near the waterfront at Alki Beach, dine on house-made burrata and creative pastas at romantic **Il Nido** (2717 61st Ave SW; [ilnidoseattle.com](http://ilnidoseattle.com)) and flavorful Mexican food—along with refreshing margaritas—at **Cactus Restaurant** (2820 Alki Ave SW; [cactusrestaurants.com](http://cactusrestaurants.com)). **Luna Park Cafe** (2918 SW Avalon Way; [lunaparkcafe.com](http://lunaparkcafe.com)) is a nostalgic retro-cool diner serving up hearty all-day breakfast fare and satisfying burgers and shakes. Head to the neighborhood's bustling Junction district for great coffee, local beer, and light cafe fare at homey **Freshy's** (2735 California Ave SW; [freshyscafe.com](http://freshyscafe.com)) coffeehouse, and

terrific Middle Eastern dishes—like lamb gyros and chicken shawarma—at friendly **Falafel Salam** (4746 California Ave SW; [falafelsalam.com](http://falafelsalam.com)). More upscale offerings are had at **Itto's Tapas** (4160 California Ave SW; [ittostapas.com](http://ittostapas.com)), which specializes in Moroccan and Spanish small plates, from grilled squid in a romesco sauce to slow-braised lemon chicken.

**Shop** The Junction is a shopper's paradise, with its many independent retailers. Browse the paintings and photography at **Northwest Art & Frame** (4733 California Ave SW; [nwartandframe.com](http://nwartandframe.com)) and the extensive selection of fiction and nonfiction works at **Paper Boat Booksellers** (6040 California Ave SW; [paperboatbooksellers.com](http://paperboatbooksellers.com)). **Meeples Games** (3727 California Ave SW; [meeplesgames.com](http://meeplesgames.com)) carries board games, puzzles, and more—you can rent games and play them while noshing on pizza and burgers in the cafe. Order a one-of-a-kind custom bracelet or a pair of earrings at the bespoke jeweler **And Arlen** (4130 California Ave SW; [andarlen.com](http://andarlen.com)). And before heading to a local park for an outdoor adventure, check out the selection of gently used sporting goods at **Second Gear Sports** (6529 California Ave SW; [secondgearsports.com](http://secondgearsports.com)), or stop by **Alki Surf Shop** (2622 Alki Ave SW; [alkisurfshop.com](http://alkisurfshop.com)) for apparel, sunglasses, Frisbees, and other necessities for the perfect day at the beach.

# White Center

Check out the emerging food and nightlife offerings in this diverse South Seattle neighborhood.

**Explore** Kids can safely practice their two-wheeling at White Center Bicycle Playground in **Dick Thurnau Memorial Park** (11050 10th Ave SW; [kingcountyparks.org](http://kingcountyparks.org)), while **Southgate Roller Rink** (9646 17th Ave SW; [southgaterollerink.com](http://southgaterollerink.com))—the home turf of the Rat City Rollergirls—is a fun place to roll to the music. **Roxbury Lanes** (2823 SW Roxbury St; [roxburylanesbowl.com](http://roxburylanesbowl.com)) is one of the city's favorite bowling alleys and also offers arcade games, and **Ralph Williamson Memorial Disc Golf Course** (11050 10th Ave SW; [chainbangers.com](http://chainbangers.com)) is one Seattle's top venues for this increasingly popular sport.

**Eat and Drink** Helmed by James Beard Award-winning chef Brady Williams, **Tomo** (9811 16th Ave SW; [tomoseattle.com](http://tomoseattle.com)) serves eclectic Japanese-American fare like Dungeness crab rice with preserved strawberry and satusumaimo ice cream with hazelnut, chocolate, and yuzu. At **Que Chevere** (9808 16th Ave SW; [quechevererestaurantandbar.com](http://quechevererestaurantandbar.com)), try hearty Colombian-style empanadas and cazuela de mariscos, a coconut milk-based seafood stew. **Crawfish House** (9826 16th Ave SW; [crawfishhouse206.com](http://crawfishhouse206.com)) serves Cajun-spiced shrimp po'boys and crawfish étouffée, and **Proletariat Pizzeria** (9622-A 16th Ave SW; [proletariatpizza.com](http://proletariatpizza.com))



slings delicious thin-crust pies. Enjoy a crisp IPA at **Future Primitive Brewing** (9832 14th Ave SW; [futureprimitivebeer.com](http://futureprimitivebeer.com)) and well-crafted espressos at **Dubsea Coffee** (9910 Eighth Ave SW; [dubseacoffee.com](http://dubseacoffee.com)).

**Shop** **Carniceria El Paisano** (9629 15th Ave SW; [carniceriaelpaisano.com](http://carniceriaelpaisano.com)) carries an extensive array of Latin American specialty foods, including tamales and beef barbacoa. Fans of fashion deals head for the racks of well-curated apparel at **Cartwheel Vintage & Consign** (9422 Delridge Way SW; [cartwheelvintage.com](http://cartwheelvintage.com)).

# Central District

The longtime hub of Seattle's Black community thrives with engaging shops, eateries, and arts spaces.

**Explore** This diverse neighborhood supports several cultural spaces, including **Wa Na Wari** (911 24th Ave; [wanawari.org](http://wanawari.org)), a remarkable community center that shares local history and features works by contemporary Black artists, and **LANGSTON** (104 17th Ave S; [langstonseattle.org](http://langstonseattle.org)), an arts space set in a converted synagogue that hosts local theater groups, concerts, and other engaging events. The **Northwest African American Museum** (★2300 S Massachusetts St; [naamnw.org](http://naamnw.org)) has superb exhibits and is adjacent to **Jimi Hendrix Park** (2400 S Massachusetts St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), an appealing spot for a stroll. Or check out **Central Cinema** (1411 21st Ave; [central-cinema.com](http://central-cinema.com)), which presents everything from classics to campy favorites.

**Eat and Drink** Head to **Reckless Noodle House and Cocktails** (2519 S Jackson St; [recklessnoodles.com](http://recklessnoodles.com)) for modern Asian fare, like caramelized-pork belly rolls, and **Ezell's Famous Chicken** (501 23rd Ave; [ezellschicken.com](http://ezellschicken.com)), which has served perfectly fried chicken since 1984. **Alexandras Macarons & Cafe** (1410 18th Ave; [alexandrasmacarons.com](http://alexandrasmacarons.com)) is a



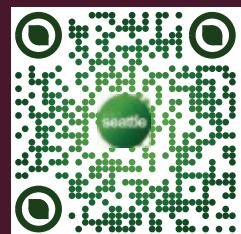
favorite for brunch and for its namesake desserts. In the leafy Madrona neighborhood, **Red Cow** (1423 34th Ave; [ethanstowellrestaurants.com](http://ethanstowellrestaurants.com)) is a classic French brasserie specializing in steak frites, **Cafe Soleil** (1400 34th Ave; [facebook.com/cafe.soleil.madrona](http://facebook.com/cafe.soleil.madrona)) serves a mix of Ethiopian and Italian dishes, and **Hi-Spot Cafe** (1410 34th Ave; [hispotcafe.com](http://hispotcafe.com)) turns out delicious breakfasts—try the tofu scramble with mixed veggies. **Standard Brewing** (2504 S Jackson St; [standardbrew.com](http://standardbrew.com)) and **Métier Brewing Company** (2616 E Cherry St; [metierbrewing.com](http://metierbrewing.com)) are friendly spots for excellent beer and conversation.

**Shop** Swing by **Arte Noir** (★2301 E Union St; [artenoir.org](http://artenoir.org)) in Midtown Square, a fine art gallery selling eclectic products from Black creatives. Down the street, letter-press **Grapheme Seattle** (2421 E Union St; [grapheme-seattle.com](http://grapheme-seattle.com)) carries all the fountain pens your heart desires. **Valerie Madison Fine Jewelry** (1422 34th Ave; [valeriemadison.com](http://valeriemadison.com)) produces gorgeous custom pendants, earrings, and more, and **glassybaby Madrona** (3406 E Union St; [glassybaby.com](http://glassybaby.com)) is highly acclaimed for its stunning hand-crafted glass votive candleholders and barware.

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# SoDo



This hip strip of former warehouses buzzes with exciting craft beverage makers and eclectic restaurants.

**Explore** Just south of the neighborhood's border with Pioneer Square you'll find the state-of-the-art sports stadiums **Lumen Field** (★800 Occidental Ave S; [lumenfield.com](http://lumenfield.com)), for football and soccer, and **T-Mobile Park** (★1250 First Ave S; [mlb.com/mariners/ballpark](http://mlb.com/mariners/ballpark)) for baseball. If their feats of athleticism inspire you to want to work out, **Momentum Indoor Climbing** (2759 First Ave S; [momentumclimbing.com](http://momentumclimbing.com)) tests your grip strength. In the evening, catch a memorable performance at the renowned **Showbox SoDo** (★1700 First Ave S; [showboxpresents.com](http://showboxpresents.com)) music club.

**Eat and Drink** Car enthusiasts should put it in park at **Derby** (2233 Sixth Ave S; [derbyrestaurants.com](http://derbyrestaurants.com)), where they can nosh on garlic fries or a fried Korean chicken sando while sneaking a peek at the impressive members-only car club next door. **Paseo** (1760 First Ave S; [paseo.com](http://paseo.com)) serves rave-worthy Caribbean roast sandwiches, and **Macrina Bakery** (1943 First Ave S; [macrinabakery.com](http://macrinabakery.com)) dishes out heavenly breakfast fare, such as sausage biscuit sandwiches with Beecher's cheddar and vegan raspberry-oat scones. Try the hearty Franny



Sounders FC at Lumen Field

Freeburg pastrami sandwich on a rye bagel at **Blazing Bagels** (1911 First Ave S; [blazingbagels.com](http://blazingbagels.com)), which also sells decadent caramel-fudge brownies and other sweet treats. Inside Starbucks headquarters, **Starbucks Reserve SODO** (★2401 Utah Ave S; [starbucksreserve.com](http://starbucksreserve.com)) delivers an unforgettable cafe experience with pizzas, cocktails, craft coffee, and nitro cold brew on tap. **Efeste** (★1730 First Ave S; [efeste.com](http://efeste.com)), **Latta Wines** (3933 1st Ave S; [lattawines.com](http://lattawines.com)), and **Structure Cellars** (3861 First Ave

S; [structurewines.com](http://structurewines.com)) are among SoDo's many superb winery tasting rooms.

**Shop** The handsome **Filson** (★1741 First Ave S; [filson.com](http://filson.com)) flagship began outfitting outdoors adventurers—and Klondike Gold Rush prospectors—in 1897. Many of its products are made right here in Seattle. Hunt for stained-glass windows, unique lamps, and vintage decorative accents at **Earthwise Architectural Salvage** (3447 Fourth Ave S; [ewsalvage.com](http://ewsalvage.com)).

# Georgetown

This offbeat, art-filled neighborhood beckons with delicious eats and inviting greenspaces.

**Explore** Just south of the runways at Boeing Field, **The Museum of Flight** (★9404 E Marginal Way S; [museumofflight.org](http://museumofflight.org)) presents the city's rich aviation history in a family-friendly wonderland of big planes, hands-on exhibits, and interactive and experiences. Tech geeks can nerd out at **Connections Museum Seattle** (7000 E Marginal Way S; [telcom-history.org](http://telcom-history.org)), showcasing antique telephones and switchboards, while the 1906 **Georgetown Steam Plant** (6605 13th Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) is now a museum filled with the massive machinery that once powered the city's streetcar fleet; it's open the second Saturday of each month. For an Insta-worthy photo op, head to **Oxbow Park** (6430 Corson Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) to glimpse a larger-than-life cowboy hat and boots.

**Eat and Drink** Order an authentic cheese-steak sandwich—loyalists always order

it with Cheez Whiz—from the takeout window at **Calozzi's Cheesesteaks** (7016 E Marginal Way S; [calozzis.net](http://calozzis.net)) or a Japanese-style hamburger at the original location of local chain **Katsu Burger** (6538 Fourth Ave S; [katsuburger.com](http://katsuburger.com)). Just be sure to save room for a slice of the famed London Fog cake—with Earl Grey syrup and bergamot mascarpone cream—from **Deep Sea Sugar & Salt** (6235 Airport Way S; [deepseasugarandsalt.com](http://deepseasugarandsalt.com)). Creative Pacific Northwest fare is

served at **The Corson Building** (★5609 Corson Ave S; [thecorsonbuilding.com](http://thecorsonbuilding.com)), which occupies a romantic 1910 house. **Georgetown Liquor Company** (5501 Airport Way S; [glcseattle.com](http://glcseattle.com)) serves cool drinks and tasty vegan fare, and **Slim's Last Chance** (5606 First Ave S; [slimslastchance.com](http://slimslastchance.com)) is known for live music and stick-to-your-ribs Tex-Mex.



**Shop** Discover pop-up shops, unique art galleries, and more at the whimsical **Georgetown Trailer Park Mall** (5805 Airport Way S; [georgetowntrailerparkmall.com](http://georgetowntrailerparkmall.com)). Shop for comics and graphic novels at the **Fantagraphics Bookstore and Gallery** (1201 S Vale St; [fantagraphics.com](http://fantagraphics.com)), which shares a space with popular **Georgetown Records** ([georgetownrecords.net](http://georgetownrecords.net)). **Kirk Albert Vintage Furnishings** (5517 Airport Way S; [kirkalbert.com](http://kirkalbert.com)) is your go-to for mid-century modern and other vintage decor.

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# Beacon Hill



This friendly and lively neighborhood offers ample greenspace plus international restaurants and distinctive shopping.

**Explore Jefferson Park** (3801 Beacon Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) features one of the region's best public golf courses as well as picnic shelters, a skate park, a playground, and lots of wide-open space perfect for kite flying and running around. As night falls, head to **Dr. Jose Rizal Park** (1007 12th Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) for a sunset selfie. Nearby **Daejeon Park** (1144 Sturgus Ave S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) features grassy lawns and an ornately designed Korean pavilion, and tiny **Katie Black's Garden** (1150 S Atlantic St; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)) is a delightful sliver of fragrant flower beds and plantings with a Japanese-style design. Get a vigorous workout at **Seattle Bouldering Project's** (900 Poplar Pl S; [seattleboulderingproject.com](http://seattleboulderingproject.com)) rock-climbing gym.

**Eat and Drink** Tuck into plates of inventive Mediterranean-inspired cuisine at romantic **Homer** (3013 Beacon Ave S; [restauranthomer.com](http://restauranthomer.com)), craft beer and international bar bites at **Perihelion Brewery** (2800 16th Ave S; [perihelionbeer.com](http://perihelionbeer.com)), and wood-fired pizzas and antipasti on the cute patio at **Bar del Corso** (3057 Beacon Ave S; [bardelcorso.com](http://bardelcorso.com)). **Fresh Flours** (1624 S McClellan St; [freshfloursseattle.com](http://freshfloursseattle.com)) dispenses



delicious blackberry danishes and creamy lattes, and **Buddha Bruddah Restaurant** (2201 Rainier Ave S; [buddhabruddah.com](http://buddhabruddah.com)) is a favorite for authentic Hawaiian-style plate lunches and tasty pan-Asian fare. Order a plate of pork or chicken tamales at **Cafetal Quilombo** (4343 15th Ave S; [cafetal-quilombo.com](http://cafetal-quilombo.com)) or a filling breaded flank steak torta at **El Quetzal** (3211 Beacon Ave S; [quetzalseattle.com](http://quetzalseattle.com)).

**Shop** **Day Moon Press** (3320 Beacon Ave S; [daymoonpress.com](http://daymoonpress.com)) is a long-

running letter-press print shop carrying a selection of artful cards and paper gifts. Browse the huge selection of mid-century modern, Scandinavian-style, and Victorian housewares at **Dixon's Furniture** (1915 Rainier Ave S; [dixonsfurniture.com](http://dixonsfurniture.com)). **La Esperanza Mercado y Carniceria** (2500 Beacon Ave S; [facebook.com/laesperanza206](http://facebook.com/laesperanza206)) is one of Seattle's best-stocked Mexican grocery stores, while **Fou Lee Market** (2050 S Columbian Way; [fouleemarket.com](http://fouleemarket.com)) specializes in produce, sauces, sweets, and other goods from throughout Asia.

# Columbia City/Rainier Valley

These vibrant, diverse neighborhoods teem with cool businesses and beautiful scenery.

**Explore Columbia City Gallery** (4864 Rainier Ave S; [columbiacitygallery.com](http://columbiacitygallery.com)) presents juried exhibits and local collaborations. Take in a movie at the **Ark Lodge Cinemas** (4816 Rainier Ave S; [arklodgecinemas.com](http://arklodgecinemas.com)) and live music at the **Columbia City Theater** (4916 Rainier Ave S; [columbiacitytheater.com](http://columbiacitytheater.com)). On Lake Washington, wander through enchanting **Seward Park** (5900 Lake Washington Blvd S; [seattle.gov/parks](http://seattle.gov/parks)), home to an old-growth forest, hiking trails, and majestic bald eagles. Stroll amid the maples and hydrangeas, calm ponds, and arching red footbridges at **Kubota Garden** (9817 55th Ave S; [kubotagarden.org](http://kubotagarden.org)).

**Eat and Drink** For sublime Northwest cuisine, head to **Off Alley** (4903 1/2 Rainier Ave



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[offalleyseattle.com](http://offalleyseattle.com)). **Maa Kiin Seattle** (4909 Rainier Ave S; [instagram.com/maakii\\_seattle](http://instagram.com/maakii_seattle)) is a favorite for Thai cooking, while **La Medusa** (4857 Rainier Ave S; [lamedusaseattle.com](http://lamedusaseattle.com)) serves first-rate Southern Italian fare, and **Backyard** (3820 S Ferdinand St; [rookiesbackyard.com](http://rookiesbackyard.com)) is known for flavorful brisket birria tacos in a convivial sports-pub setting. Rainier Valley's **King Donuts** (7820 Rainier Ave S; [kingdonutsseattle.com](http://kingdonutsseattle.com)) is known for sweet-savory bacon-maple bars and **Pizzeria Pulcinella** (10003 Rainier Ave S; [vincesrestaurants.com](http://vincesrestaurants.com)) for wood-fired Neapolitan-style pies. In Rainier Beach, enjoy brunch by Lake Washington at the **Stonehouse Cafe** (9701 Rainier Ave S; [thestonehousecafe.com](http://thestonehousecafe.com)) and well-crafted gastropub fare at **Jude's Old Town** (9252 57th Ave S; [judesoldtown.com](http://judesoldtown.com)).

**Shop** Peruse upscale fashion at **Gather Consignment** (4863 Rainier Ave S; [gatherconsignment.com](http://gatherconsignment.com)) and colorful children's attire at **Chrysanthemum** (4860 Rainier Ave S, Ste A; [chrysanthemumkids.com](http://chrysanthemumkids.com)). At hip **Empire Roasters and Records** (3829 S Edmonds St; [empireespresso.coffee](http://empireespresso.coffee)), browse LPs while sipping a ginger-snap latte. Pick up the latest reads at woodsy **Third Place Books** (5041 Wilson Ave S; [thirdplacebooks.com](http://thirdplacebooks.com)).

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## Bainbridge

A scenic ferry ride from downtown Seattle, this pastoral island offers distinctive shops, wineries, restaurants, and gardens.

**Explore** From the ferry terminal, it's a short stroll to the free **Bainbridge Island Museum of Art** (★550 Winslow Way E; [biartmuseum.org](http://biartmuseum.org)), which occupies a strikingly beautiful building and displays diverse contemporary works, and the interactive **Kids Discovery Museum** (★301 Ravine Ln NE; [kidimu.org](http://kidimu.org)), with exhibits geared toward children up to 10 years old. Farther afield, the **Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial** (4195 Eagle Harbor Dr NE; [bijac.org](http://bijac.org)) features gorgeous gardens and informative signs sharing triumphant personal stories that illuminate a traumatic part of World War II history. Breathtakingly beautiful **Bloedel Reserve** (★7571 NE Dolphin Dr; [bloedelreserve.org](http://bloedelreserve.org)) is a delight for hiking and viewing local flora.

**Eat and Drink** At chic but unpretentious **Seabird** (133 Winslow Way E; [seabird.fish](http://seabird.fish)), dine on creatively prepared and locally harvested geoduck clams and wood-grilled halibut. **Doc's Marina Grill** (403 Madison Ave S; [docsgrill.com](http://docsgrill.com)) is another excellent seafooder, offering classic chowders and grills with wonderful views of pleasure boats in the harbor. Dine on modern versions of Vietnamese food, like pork wontons in spicy truffle oil, at trendy **Ba Sa** (101 Winslow Way E; [basabainbridgeisland.com](http://basabainbridgeisland.com)), and pick up a baguette sandwich, a molasses cookie, and a cafe au lait at charming **Coquette Bake Shop** (140 Winslow Way W; [coquettebakeshop.com](http://coquettebakeshop.com)). Take bus 390 north a couple of miles to sample the island's acclaimed liquid assets at **Fletcher Bay** (9415 Coppertop Loop NE; [fletcherbaywinery.com](http://fletcherbaywinery.com)), **Bainbridge Brewing** (9415 Coppertop Loop NE; [bainbridgebeer.com](http://bainbridgebeer.com)), and **Bainbridge Organic Distillers** (9727 Coppertop Loop NE; [bainbridgedistillers.com](http://bainbridgedistillers.com)).

**Shop** You'll discover a variety of charming shops in Winslow village, including the stylish gift shops **Plum** (124 Winslow Way E; [plumbainbridge.com](http://plumbainbridge.com)) and **Dana's on Bainbridge** (194 Winslow Way E; [danasonbainbridge.com](http://danasonbainbridge.com)). **Celtic Crossroads** (380 Winslow Way E; [celticcrossroadsnw.com](http://celticcrossroadsnw.com)) carries handcrafted jewelry, wool sweaters and caps, and cookies and teas imported from Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. Inside the cute **Winslow Mall** (278 Winslow Way E; [facebook.com/winslowmall](http://facebook.com/winslowmall)), vendors proffer everything from crystals and wind chimes to raincoats for your dog.



## Bremerton

Naval history, family fun, and a burgeoning food scene greet visitors who ferry to this lively waterfront enclave.

**Explore** It's a relaxing ramble from the ferry terminal to explore the fascinating exhibits at the **Puget Sound Navy Museum** (251 First St; [pugetsoundnavymuseum.org](http://pugetsoundnavymuseum.org)) and the whale-inspired copper fountains and waterside benches at **Harborside Fountain Park** (251 First St; [bremertonwa.gov](http://bremertonwa.gov)). Save time to explore the decks of the **USS Turner Joy** (★300 Washington Beach Ave; [ussturnerjoy.org](http://ussturnerjoy.org)), a decommissioned 1950s warship, then see what's showing at the **Roxy** (270 Fourth St; [farawayentertainment.com](http://farawayentertainment.com)) movie theater. **Rodeo Drive-In Theatre** (7369 Hwy 3; [rodeodrivein.com](http://rodeodrivein.com)) dates back to 1949 and is the largest drive-in in the Pacific Northwest. Stroll amid the waterfront greenery of **Elandan Gardens** (3050 Hwy 16; [elandangardens.com](http://elandangardens.com)), famed for its world-class bonsai collection.

**Eat and Drink** **Anthony's at Sinclair Inlet** (20 Washington Ave; [anthony's.com](http://anthony's.com)) is a splendid waterfront setting for savoring seafood, while **El Balcon** (326 Pacific Ave; [elbalconwa.com](http://elbalconwa.com)) dishes out flavorful Salvadorean fare. **Local Boys Taproom** (519 Fourth St; [localboystaproom.com](http://localboystaproom.com)) carries a great selection of Washington craft beers, and at Manette's **Hound + Bottle** (2109 E 11th St; [houndandbottle.com](http://houndandbottle.com)) you'll find creative cocktails and flavorful beef and veggie burgers. If you've brought your car, it's worth the short drive from downtown for the fresh seafood at **Tiny's House of Crabs** (4930 Kitsap Way; [tinyhouseofcrabs.com](http://tinyhouseofcrabs.com)), authentic Korean food at **Suzy's Kitchen** (2665 Sixth St; [suzyskitchen.net](http://suzyskitchen.net)), and Spam musubi and loco moco bowls at **Island Hut** (2502 Sixth St; [facebook.com/islandhut808](http://facebook.com/islandhut808)).

**Shop** **F.R.O.G. Soap** (707 Pacific Ave; [frogsoap.net](http://frogsoap.net)) uses Pacific Northwest pine, lavender, and calendula in its body creams and shampoo bars. **Game Wizard and Blue Sky Hobbies** (603 Fourth St; [facebook.com/gamewizardblueskyhobbies](http://facebook.com/gamewizardblueskyhobbies)) stocks an incredible array of board and video games—you can try them out in the restaurant. Look for cool finds from yesteryear at **Manette Antiques** (2105 E 11th St; [facebook.com/manetteantiquesmall](http://facebook.com/manetteantiquesmall)) and interesting, smaller-vineyard wines at **The Weekender** (2106 E 11th St; [instagram.com/theweekendermanette](http://instagram.com/theweekendermanette)).



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## SHORE THING

Watch for seals, sea lions, porpoises, bald eagles, blue herons, and several types of whales—including orcas and humpbacks—on **FRS Clipper's** thrilling half-day wildlife cruises, which depart from downtown's Pier 69 and explore the pristine waters of the Salish Sea. [clippercruises.com](http://clippercruises.com)

## ALSO TRY:

On a weekend brunch excursion with **Waterways Cruises**, you'll spend two relaxing hours plying the calm and picturesque waters of Lake Union and Lake Washington while enjoying a Champagne or sparkling cider toast and an expansive brunch buffet. [waterwayscruises.com](http://waterwayscruises.com)



## HISTORY HIGH & LOW

Not only will you enjoy panoramic views of the city on a 45-minute guided talking tower tour at **Smith Tower**, you'll be regaled with colorful yarns about the wild history of this iconic building and the rum-runners and duplicitous characters who once walked its hallways. [smithtower.com](http://smithtower.com)

## ALSO TRY:

After the Great Fire of 1889, Seattle was forced to rebuild on top of its remaining storefronts and sidewalks. **Bill Speidel's Underground Tour**

uncovers the history of the city's rebirth, walking through preserved tunnels and pathways during an eye-opening 75-minute journey. [undergroundtour.com](http://undergroundtour.com)



## COFFEE AND DONUTS

Join knowledgeable local guides on a caffeine-fueled **Seattle Coffee Culture Tour** of the hip cafes and jovial java joints of Capitol Hill. Sip espresso at three different establishments while learning about the neighborhood's diverse and progressive history. [urbanadventures.com](http://urbanadventures.com)

## ALSO TRY:

In this city known for its artisan baking, nibble your way through downtown's sweetest bakeries on an **Underground Donut Tour**, with delicious stops at four different shops, including Pike Place Market's famed Daily Dozen Doughnut Company. [undergrounddonuttour.com](http://undergrounddonuttour.com)



## NATURE CALLS

Washington-based **REI Co-op Adventure Travel** offers a variety of thrilling outdoor trips through the state's most spectacular landscapes, including backpacking treks through Olympic National Park and Seattle hiking, cycling, and kayaking adventures around the Emerald City. [rei.com/adventures](http://rei.com/adventures)

## ALSO TRY:

Spend the day exploring the ruggedly gorgeous terrain of Whidbey Island's Deception Pass State Park on a full-day birding tour with **Evergreen Escapes**, which hosts a number of other outdoorsy adventures departing from Seattle. [evergreenescapes.com](http://evergreenescapes.com)



## MUSIC TO MY EARS

There's no doubt about the city's deep music roots. On **Stalking Seattle's Music History Tour**, uncover the untold stories behind the iconic grunge era, and discover new things about renowned Seattle musicians like Kurt Cobain, Macklemore, and Jimi Hendrix. [stalkingseattle.rezgo.com](http://stalkingseattle.rezgo.com)

## ALSO TRY:

The **Seattle Grunge Redux** tour begins in Belltown, "Ground Zero for the grunge era," and explores famous sites like the Moore Theatre, The Crocodile, and KEXP's Gathering Space in Seattle Center. [seattlegrungeredux.com](http://seattlegrungeredux.com)



## SIP LOCAL

Embark on a **Wine Tasting Shuttle** tour of the celebrated wine country of nearby Woodinville or the up-and-coming urban vintners of Seattle. Tours in both places begin with lunch at an acclaimed restaurant, followed by tastings at three different wineries. [winetastingshuttle.com](http://winetastingshuttle.com)

## ALSO TRY:

Learn how Washington barley is transformed into a single-malt whiskey that's been ranked the third best in the world by *Whisky Advocate* on the 90-minute tour and in-depth tasting of SoDo's celebrated **Westland Distillery**. [westlanddistillery.com](http://westlanddistillery.com)



## WALK THROUGH TIME

**Chinatown Discovery Tours**, offered by Wing Luke Museum, take you on themed explorations through one of the city's most historic neighborhoods, including a walk on the Japanese American Remembrance Trail and a look at Bruce Lee's Chinatown. [wingluke.org/chinatown-discovery](http://wingluke.org/chinatown-discovery)

## ALSO TRY:

Follow the free **Market to MOHAI** self-guided tour on your way to the fascinating Museum of History & Industry. Signs along this dynamic pedestrian corridor tell the history of the waterfront, Belltown, Denny Triangle, and South Lake Union. [markettomohai.org/walk-the-corridor](http://markettomohai.org/walk-the-corridor)



## PEDAL AND PADDLE

Spend three hours riding around the beautiful shoreline of West Seattle on a guided e-bike ride with **Seattle Bicycle Tours**. Highlights include viewing salmon and sea lions in the Duwamish River and visiting historic Alki Point Lighthouse. [seattlebicycletours.com](http://seattlebicycletours.com)

## ALSO TRY:

Offering rentals and guided adventures, West Seattle's **Alki Kayak Tours** offers two-hour sunset excursions around the scenic western shore of Elliott Bay and the wildlife-rich mouth of the Duwamish River. [kayakalki.com](http://kayakalki.com)

# Getting Around

**THERE ARE A LOT OF GREAT WAYS TO GET AROUND**  
the city without a private vehicle. Consult websites where applicable for schedule, fare, and availability updates.



## TAXIS, RENTALS & CAR SHARING

**Taxis:** Around \$50–\$70 from SEA Airport (third floor of parking garage) to downtown.

**Car Rentals:** Shuttle buses to the off-site car-rental facility run 24/7 from the north and south ends of the baggage claim terminal.

**Car & Ride Sharing:** Services include **GIG**, **Lyft**, **Uber**, and **Zipcar**. [gigcarshare.com](http://gigcarshare.com); [lyft.com](http://lyft.com); [uber.com](http://uber.com); [zipcar.com](http://zipcar.com)

## WATER TRANSPORTATION

**Ferries:** Pier 52 for Bainbridge Island or Bremerton (vehicles under 14' and driver, \$17.50). Seasonal schedules. [wsdot.wa.gov/ferries](http://wsdot.wa.gov/ferries)

**Water Taxis:** Pier 50 to West Seattle (\$5–\$5.75) or Vashon Island (\$5.75–\$6.75). Seasonal schedules.

Cash (exact), credit, and ORCA cards.

[kingcounty.gov/dept/metro/travel-options/water-taxi](http://kingcounty.gov/dept/metro/travel-options/water-taxi)



## ORCA CARDS

These transit passes can be used on streetcars, light rail, buses, and more. ORCA cards cost \$3; load an all-day regional transit pass onto an ORCA card for \$8. [myorca.com](http://myorca.com)



## BIKE/SCOOTER SHARING

This option is fun and fast; accessed through app-based services like **Bird**, **Lime**, and **Veo**, it allows for on-demand personal transport priced by the minute. [bird.co](http://bird.co); [li.me](http://li.me); [veoride.com](http://veoride.com)

## WALKING MAPS

Access a digital version of Visit Seattle's convenient walking map at [visitseattle.org/maps](http://visitseattle.org/maps)



## LINK LIGHT RAIL

**Schedule:** Trains arrive every 8 to 15 minutes and take ~40 minutes to travel between SEA Airport and Westlake Station in Downtown Seattle. The 1 Line runs Mon–Sat, 5am–1am; Sun and holidays, 6am–midnight.

**Fare:** \$2.25–\$3.50; as of fall 2024, this will change to a flat \$3 fare for all trips (ORCA cards and ticket kiosks).

[soundtransit.org/schedules/link-light-rail](http://soundtransit.org/schedules/link-light-rail)



## SEATTLE STREETCARS

### South Lake Union:

Mon–Fri, 6am–9pm  
Sat, 7am–9pm  
Sun, 10am–7pm

### Downtown to First Hill:

Mon–Fri, 5am–10:30pm  
Sat, 6am–10:30pm  
Sun, 10am–8pm

**Fare:** \$2.25 (coins, credit, ORCA cards); \$4.50 (all-day pass). [seattle.gov/streetcar](http://seattle.gov/streetcar)

## SEATTLE CENTER MONORAIL

**Schedule:** Mon–Thurs, 7:30am–9pm; Fri, 7:30am–11pm; Sat, 8:30am–11pm; Sun, 8:30–9pm (extended service in summer and for events at Climate Pledge Arena).

**Fare:** \$3.50 one-way (credit or ORCA cards; no cash).

[seattlemonorail.com](http://seattlemonorail.com)

## GET TICKETS

Download mobile app **Transit GO Ticket** to purchase digital tickets for King County Metro Buses and Water Taxi, Sound Transit's Link light rail and Sounder train, Seattle Streetcar, and Kitsap Transit. For more information, go to [visitseattle.org/getting-around](http://visitseattle.org/getting-around)

## Need Assistance?

Whether you're planning in advance or actively navigating the city, the Visit Seattle Information Center is here to help. Call 206.228.7291 or email [visinfo@visitseattle.org](mailto:visinfo@visitseattle.org) for tips and advice.



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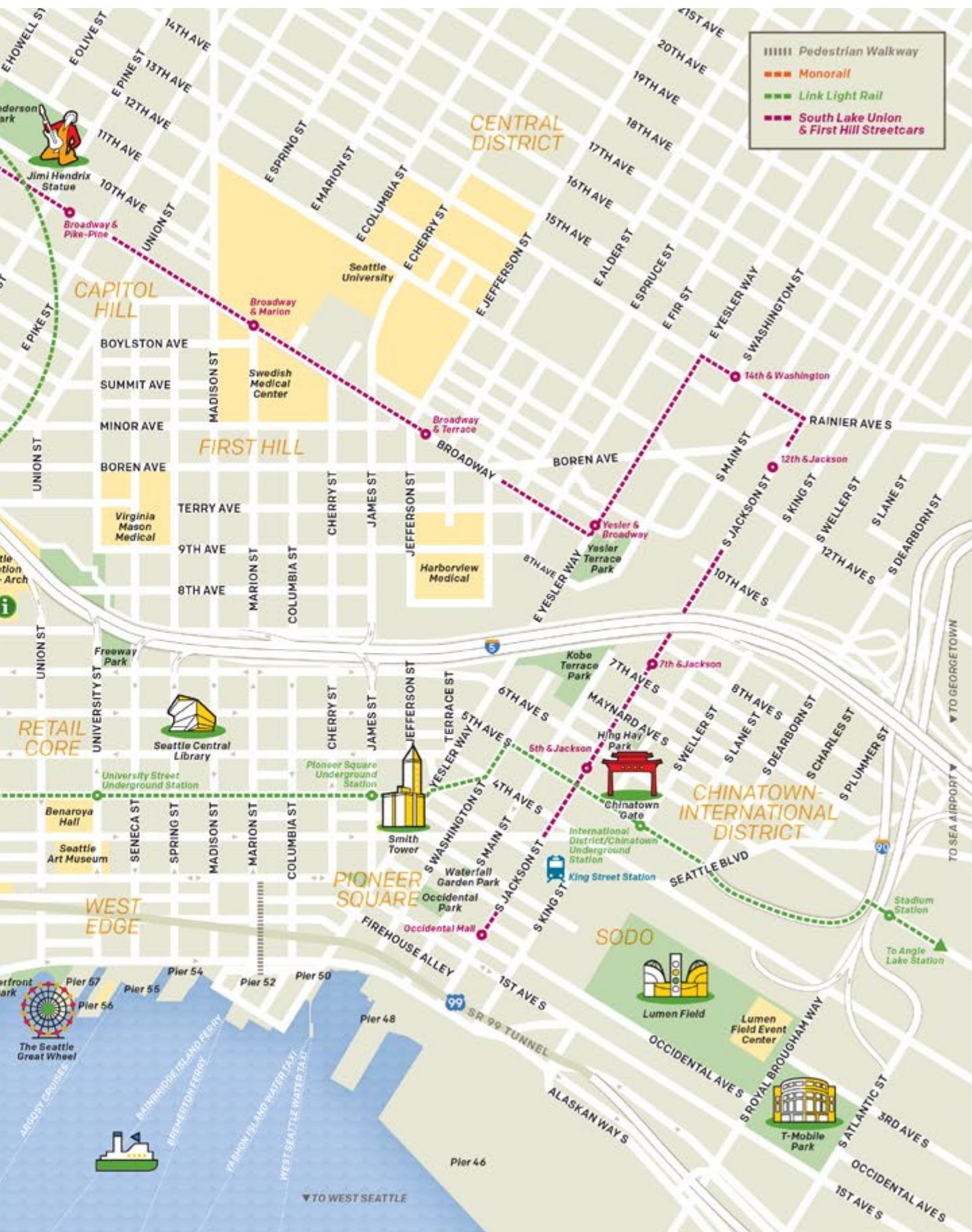
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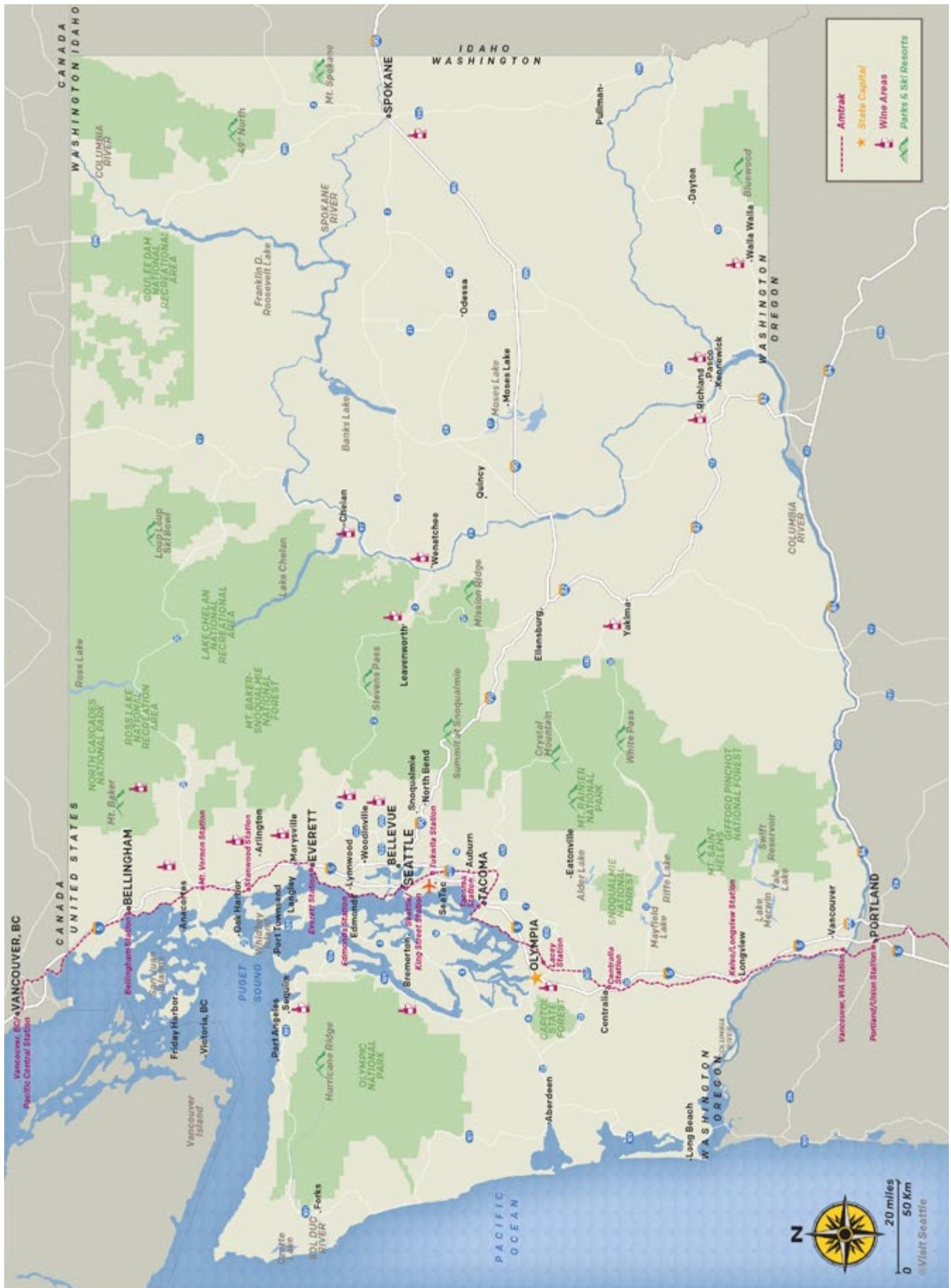
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